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First 'Jewish terror' defendant convicted

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first of 27 suspects arrested in connection with the alleged Jewish terrorist underground in the territories was convicted yesterday in the Jerusalem District Court of supplying 30 mines to his alleged associates.

Noam Yinon, 27, of Moshav Keshet, in the Golan Heights, pleaded guilty to lesser charges than he originally faced which had included attempted murder. This was the result of plea bargaining between his lawyer and the prosecution.

His conviction will probably serve as something of a breakthrough, since it will stand as indisputable evidence when the court comes to consider the alleged crimes of Yinon's associates.



Noam Yinon (Harari)

Yinon pleaded guilty to charges that he transported 30 Syrian mines from his moshav to another moshav in April. He had originally been charged with belonging to the conspiracy to blow up five Arab-owned buses, but the prosecution agreed to drop all but the transport of explosives charges after realizing that he was a dupe for the leaders of the gang.

According to Yinon, he was approached by someone who asked him to transport the mines "for an important matter for the people of Israel," but he knew nothing about the plot or the planned purpose of the mines.

A legal source last night described Yinon as "the smallest fish" in the group, but indicated that other defendants in the case might also have some of the charges against them dropped on the basis of confessions to other charges.

A hearing has been scheduled for Sunday in the same court that convicted Yinon to determine his sentence. At that time the defence is expected to bring witnesses to testify to his good character. He can get up to 10 years in jail for the crime for which he was convicted.

Two army officers go to the district court tomorrow to find out whether they will be held in police custody until the end of their trial and to fight against a prosecution request to waive the ban on publication of their names. On Thursday the other 24 defendants will go through a situation hearing.



Tehiya candidate Rafael Eitan (centre) and Alignment MK Mordechai Gur, both former chiefs of staff, debate a point before yesterday's straw poll at Tel Aviv's Barak High School, as Likud candidate Uzi Landau (left) prepares his speech. The election results: Likud, 47 per cent; Alignment, 27; Tehiya, 14; and Ezer Weizman's Yahad, 3. (Andre Breitmann)

Knesset to debate handling of Jewish terrorist suspects

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday voted to hold a full-scale debate on "the expressions by public figures" and the "receptions arranged" for the Jewish terror suspects.

The subject was raised in a motion for the agenda by Shlomo Hillel (Alignment), who criticized the police and Interior Minister Yosef Burg for the "picnic atmosphere" that prevailed at the Russian Compound in Jerusalem, where the suspects are being held.

He also faulted the police for permitting a solidarity demonstration for the suspects there in the guise of an assembly in memory of Aharon Gross, the yeshiva student murdered in the Hebron market last July.

Hillel also criticized Deputy Knesset Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidov and other public figures for having given support and encouragement to Jewish terrorists.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg agreed that a debate be held. As to demonstrations, he said, he himself was for a restrictive policy, but the Supreme Court had overruled the police.

Burg denied that there is a double standard in the treatment of the Jewish terrorist suspects. Since most of their families live far from Jerusalem, the families were permitted to visit them and bring them food, said Burg.

Cohen-Avidov moved that Hillel's motion be struck from the agenda. He said that he had never publicly been identified with Jewish terror or a Jewish underground.

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MKs rap handling of bus hijack report

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

All officers who participated in the storming of the hijacked Ashkelon bus should be suspended from duty until the Military Police inquiry is completed, MK Yossi Sarid (Alignment) said in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee yesterday.

Prime Minister Shamir told the committee that Defence Minister Arens has accepted all of the Zorea Commission's findings and recommendations, and that Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir has already been brought into the picture.

Shamir added that since security forces assigned to anti-terror missions are very well-trained and highly disciplined, what occurred in the April 13 bus action was definitely a "deviation" from standard operating procedure.

Three Alignment members of the committee – Yitzhak Rabin, Haim Bar-Lev and Shlomo Hillel – criticized the manner in which the Zorea Commission report was released, claiming it should first have been handed to the committee.

The Likud's Yosef Rom said that the special police anti-terror squad should in future be called in to handle cases such as bus hijackings, since the unit was established for just such occurrences.

Shamir also told the committee that Israeli diplomats have arrived in Sri Lanka to begin work, following that country's agreement to resume limited ties with Israel.

As for the Lebanese government's reported demand that Israel shut its liaison office in Beirut, Shahir reiterated that Israel has not yet received an official communication from the Beirut government to that effect.

Photographer implies Arens saw terrorist get off bus uninjured

Jerusalem Post Staff

A photographer for *Hadashot* was quoted as saying yesterday that Defence Minister Moshe Arens and his aides were standing beside him when he took pictures in the early morning hours of April 13 of one of the terrorists in the bus hijack being taken away by security forces alive and healthy.

The Zorea Commission of Inquiry into the deaths of two of the terrorists found that the two died of wounds sustained after the bus was stormed, and not – as the IDF spokesman first reported – of wounds suffered during the assault.

Arens delayed appointing the commission for almost a fortnight after claiming that nothing in the IDF reports reaching him indicated that anything untoward had happened. But eventually he bowed to public pressure and appointed the panel.

Photographer Alex Liebeck was quoted in the daily paper as saying he took pictures of both Arens and the terrorist within one minute.

However, Arens' media adviser, Nahman Shai, told *Hadashot* that although the minister was present as the terrorists were brought off the bus after it was stormed by security forces, he did not notice the condition of the terrorists.

Meanwhile, *Ma'ariv* reported yesterday that high-ranking IDF officers were angry that the commission placed most of the blame on the IDF and minimized the part played by General Security Service personnel at the scene.

Ma'ariv said that the IDF officers believe that most of the blame was put on the army because no IDF officer on active duty served on the Zorea panel.

Yediot Aharonot reported yesterday that senior IDF circles are convinced that no army personnel were involved in the deaths of the two terrorists who survived the storming of the bus. The senior army officers were quoted as saying that the two were given over to civilian security forces when they were "still fit enough to answer difficult questions."

A *Ma'ariv* photographer, Shmuel Rahmani, was quoted in the paper as saying that he saw and photographed one of the terrorists being taken off the bus "healthy and with no sign that he was injured."

Nahal outpost becomes Hebron Hills settlement

BEERSHEBA (Itim). – Teneh, a West Bank Nahal stronghold in the Hebron Hills, yesterday became the civilian settlement of Ma'aleh Omarim in a dedication ceremony attended by Deputy Agriculture Minister Michael Dekel.

Reagan sidesteps opposition 'U.S. security' cited in Saudi missile sale

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. – U.S. President Ronald Reagan dodged possible congressional opposition to new arms transfers to Saudi Arabia by citing American "national security interests" in the sale of 400 shoulder-fired Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to the desert kingdom.

Use of the emergency powers make congressional veto of the presidential decision impossible.

State Department spokesman Alan Romberg insisted that the Stingers would provide badly needed defensive assistance to Saudi Arabia and the oil lanes of the Persian Gulf. "We are confident the safeguards are adequate," he said. "We believe this adequately meets immediate Saudi needs." (See Iran-Iraq war p.4).

The administration also dispatched to Saudi Arabia over the weekend an additional KC-10 aerial refuelling tanker, designed to keep Saudi F-15s in the air longer. American pilots will fly the KC-10 along with three more already in Saudi Arabia, Romberg said.

Saudis will operate the Stingers, which are being sent with six to eight American trainers and about 20 support personnel. Pentagon officials said it should take about two weeks to train the Saudis to use the Stinger missiles.

Israel was informed of the transfer in recent days. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir discussed it yesterday with the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, and it is expected to be on the agenda today when Defence Minister Moshe Arens meets in Washington with Secretary of Defence Caspar Weinberger and other senior administration officials.

Administration spokesmen repeatedly insisted that the accelerated arms delivery to Saudi Arabia poses no significant threat to Israel. "By providing a deterrent against hostile actions," Romberg said, "this transfer lowers the risk of broader conflict."

Israel's friends in Congress yesterday acknowledged that there is little they can do to block the administration's escalated arms transfers to Saudi Arabia, despite their concern that the shoulder-fired Stinger missiles could wind up in terrorists' hands.

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Mubarak's party gets 72 per cent of vote

CAIRO (AP). – President Hosni Mubarak's National Democratic Party captured more than 72 per cent of the vote in weekend parliament elections, with the centre-right New Wafd emerging as the only one of four opposition parties with seats in the new assembly, according to final results announced yesterday.

Interior minister Hassan Abu Basha told reporters the National Democratic Party garnered 72.987 per cent of the vote for 391 of the 448 elected seats in the 458-member parliament, which will sit for five years.

The New Wafd, the revival of an older party which had been the dominant force in Egyptian politics before the 1952 fall of the monarchy, took 15.119 per cent of the vote for 57 seats.

The election was the first nationwide parliamentary contest since Mubarak came to power in 1981 and had been a major test of his promise to bring "true democracy" to Egypt.

According to official figures, the National Democrats won 3,756,359 votes to 778,131 for the New Wafd, 346,040 for the Socialist Labour, 214,587 for the Nupp and 33,448 for the Liberals.

Abu Basha said 43.14 per cent of the nearly 13 million voters cast ballots in the election. The figure was below the 51.7 per cent which the government claimed turned out for elections in October which the opposition parties boycotted.

The New Wafd leader, former interior minister Fuad Serageddin, dismissed his party win as a handout by the NDP.

"This is a farce," Serageddin told the Associated Press. "It is the funeral of democracy. We have evidence of NDP interference and fraud in the polling, including official reports by polling station chiefs and investigating prosecutors. This was the position I took on polling day it remains my position today."

Asked whether he was satisfied with the 57 seats he won, he said, "This is the number allowed us by the NDP."

Peres makes it official: Foreign post to Navon

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV – Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres made it official – former president Yitzhak Navon is the Alignment candidate for foreign minister.

After weeks of rumours and subterranean conflict in the party over the issue, Peres told an Ashdod discussion group late Monday night that if his party forms the next government, the foreign affairs portfolio will go to Navon.

Navon also will become first deputy prime minister and acting premier, whenever the prime minister is absent from office.

Peres said this is quite natural since Navon occupies the second slot on the Alignment list and it could only be expected that he would be appointed deputy premier and foreign minister.

The Peres announcement is seen as the direct result of steady pressure applied in recent weeks by Navon's supporters in the party, that the jobs ear-marked for Navon be announced formally. This, it was argued, could only improve the party's electoral prospects and would remove any doubts and misunderstanding that could spring from speculation and rumour.

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NRP split looms as two form own faction

Post Knesset Reporter

Two leading members of the National Religious Party were recognized yesterday morning by the Knesset House Committee as a separate Knesset faction, thereby further intensifying the possibility of a break-up of the NRP.

However, the recognition of Education Minister Zevulun Hammer and Yehuda Ben-Meir as a faction named Gesher (bridge) does not necessarily mean that a split in the NRP will actually take place as talks aimed at healing differences in the party are continuing.

For the time being, though, the NRP's Knesset faction has been reduced to three: Interior Minister Yosef Burg, Avraham Melamed and Eliezer Avtabi.

Hammer told Kol Yisrael yesterday that despite the House Committee's action – taken in response to a request submitted Monday by Ben-Meir – his talks with Burg are continuing, in the hope that agreement will be reached on a joint NRP list acceptable to both sides.

Hammer said his only interest is in strengthening that list and increasing its voter appeal by adding one or more non-political personalities. But if Burg's Lamifne faction remained adamant on this point, the split would be finalized, he said.

"Religious Zionism has a message, but it is also important who delivers the message," Hammer said.

If the disagreement between

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Foreign money markets

The U.S. dollar has become the established means of exchange in the Israeli economy. Yet the dollar itself is subject to swings and changes in value against other major currencies which affect importers, exporters and, of course, investors and depositors. Today – on Page 8 – *The Jerusalem Post* begins a series of monthly surveys of the world money markets.

Begin refuses to round out Likud Knesset candidates list

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. – Menachem Begin will not appear on the bottom of the Likud slate of Knesset candidates, the former prime minister informed his successor Yitzhak Shamir yesterday.

Shamir visited Begin at his home and asked him to accept at least the honorary closing slot – number 120 – on the list. But Begin flatly refused and would not explain his refusal. He stressed that he has decided not to run for the 11th Knesset and that means not appearing on the list.

Shamir then asked Begin if he would agree to take part in the campaign on behalf of the Likud. Begin replied that he would consider it and would give Shamir his answer at a later date.

Begin and Shamir then spent some 20 minutes discussing politics in general.

Only last weekend, Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon once again raised his proposal that Begin head the Likud list. Begin has categorically rejected the possibility.

Sharon meanwhile refuses to accept any specific job in the Likud campaign. He is insisting on being appointed head of either the information campaign or of organization. But Deputy Premier David

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CORRECTION

A report in Monday's issue said that MK Haim Druckman had been questioned by the police in connection with the alleged Jewish terrorist organization. *The Jerusalem Post* has now learned this was not the case. Rabbi Druckman has never been questioned in any way by any persons in connection with the organization.

We regret any unpleasantness that may have been caused by this erroneous publication.

Varied events on tap for Jerusalem Day

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Thousands of young people began flocking to Jerusalem yesterday as a preliminary to today's observance of Jerusalem Day, reunification of the city after the Six Day War.

Events last night were due to wind up at midnight with a procession of yeshiva students to the Western Wall. This morning, from 9 to 11, there will be a non-stop showing of films about the city, free at the Guidance Centre, 17 Jaffa Road. Also planned for the same time are a quiz on Jerusalem for schoolchildren at the Jerusalem Theatre and a swimming meet in Kiryat Hayovel.

Later in the morning, a library is to be dedicated in the city's Ramot neighbourhood.

The major event of the day is to be held at Ammunition Hill, the site of one of the major battles for the city in 1967. Here members of families bereaved in the war will remember the fallen. Participating will be Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who will also address a gathering of immigrants at Mt. Scopus at 6.

For tourists, the highlight will be a happening in Independence Park, complete with entertainment by folklore groups and light refreshments. After the event, many tourists will be guests in Israeli homes in a special campaign organized by the Committee to Promote Jewish Tourism.

At 4 p.m. there will be a "mini-marathon" leaving from Liberty Bell Park. There will be an art fair at the Centre for Conservative Judaism, 2 Agron Street, beginning at 3 p.m.

Another gathering is scheduled at 5 p.m. at the Western Wall with the participation of President Chaim Herzog, the chief rabbis and other public figures.

Two entertainment events have been planned for this evening. At 8 p.m. there is to be a performance at the Manahat sports centre. And at 9 p.m., Gevatron and Kibbutz Ha'ogen troupes and singer Ofra Hazah will perform at Sultan's Pool.

GAME AND SPORT OF EVERY SORT



On the occasion of South Africa's Republic Day, Thursday, May 31, The Jerusalem Post takes a look at the opportunities awaiting the Israeli tourist. From water sports to wild game and a feast of entertainment of every kind, the attractions for visitors to South Africa are manifold. Read all about it, this Thursday, FREE with

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State Archives' new volume on 1948-49 reveals:

IDF, B-G disregarded the Foreign Ministry

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Israel Defence Forces and prime minister David Ben-Gurion in late 1948 went their own way, without consulting the Foreign Ministry about successive military operations. The ministry's officials felt slighted and ignored, and believed that the indifference to their input was detrimental to the political interests of the newborn state.

This emerges from a number of documents which appear in the latest volume of Israel state papers, published this week by the State Archives, entitled *Documents in the Foreign Policy of Israel, October 1948-April 1949*, Volume II (edited by Yehoshua Freundlich).

In a letter dated November 2, 1948, Ya'acov Shimoni, caretaker head of the Middle East Affairs Department of the ministry, wrote to the department's nominal director, then resident in Paris, Elias Sasson: "Meanwhile our army in any case...creates important and surprising political facts, without considering our political thinking, which from day to day become obsolete...For B(en) G(urion) in general regards with acute skepticism, almost with dismissiveness, such political plans, and there is an impression that he seeks to solve most of the problems by military means, in such a way that no political negotiation and no political action will have any value."

Shimoni was speaking against the backdrop of fresh IDF advances in the south against the Egyptian Army and of Operation Hiram, in which the army captured the central upper Galilee and entered Southern Lebanon.

Shimoni was particularly upset by the prime minister's opposition to the Foreign Ministry's efforts to mobilize a coalition against the king of Transjordan, Abdullah, in the area today known as the West Bank, which could set up a Palestinian mini-state. This entity, for geopolitical reasons, would be beholden to and possibly would cooperate with Israel.

Fearing that the IDF would soon be launched against the 'Triangle'

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The weather at major Swissair destinations

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AMSTERDAM	12	54	17	61	Rain
BRUSSELS	7	45	12	54	Rain
BUENOS AIRES	11	52	17	63	Rain
CHICAGO	8	43	9	48	Cloudy
COPENHAGEN	13	55	22	72	Cloudy
FRANKFURT	7	45	11	52	Rain
GENEVA	6	43	12	54	Cloudy
HELSINKI	12	54	16	61	Cloudy
HONG KONG	24	75	25	77	Rain
JOHANNESBURG	5	41	17	63	Clear
LISBON	10	50	18	64	Cloudy
LONDON	7	45	16	61	Cloudy
MADRID	5	41	21	70	Rain
MONTREAL	8	46	16	61	Cloudy
NEW YORK	14	57	16	61	Rain
OSLO	13	55	18	64	Cloudy
PARIS	8	46	14	57	Cloudy
RIO DE JANEIRO	15	59	33	91	Cloudy
SAO PAULO	15	59	26	79	Cloudy
STOCKHOLM	10	50	14	57	Cloudy
TOKYO	18	64	22	72	Cloudy
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Forecast: Hot and dry inland in the mountains.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	40	11-26	27
Golan	39	10-25	26
Nahariya	–	—	–
Safad	29	12-24	25
Haifa Port	71	19-25	27
Tiberias	48	17-31	32
Nazareth	51	15-27	27
Afula	31	15-30	30
Shomron	26	14-28	29
Tel Aviv	52	16-26	26
B-G Airport	43	15-29	31
Jericho	28	18-32	34
Gaza	54	16-25	26
Beersheba	15	12-31	34
Eilat	7	18-35	36

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

MK Mordechai Ben-Porat, chairman of the Israel-Japan Parliamentary Friendship League, was host at lunch at the Knesset yesterday to Masaaki Nakayama, member of the Japanese Diet and secretary-general of the Japan-Israel Friendship League. Among those attending were Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor, Japanese Ambassador Shozo Kadota, the director-general of the Foreign Office and MKs who are members of the new group.

Dr. Roberto Cortes Conde, of the Vitella Institute, Buenos Aires, will lecture in English, on *Argentina, Past and Present*, at Tel Aviv University at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Mrs. Lou Kadar will speak on *Golda Meir and Jerusalem* on the occasion of Jerusalem Day at the weekly meeting of Jerusalem Rotary Club at 1 p.m. in YMCA today.

The Haifa Rotary Club will commemorate Jerusalem Day at its weekly meeting at the Nof Hotel at 1 p.m. today.

ARRIVALS

Mrs. Anna Amar and Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Ramniceanu of France for the annual meeting of the board of governors of Tel Aviv University, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan David of Italy for the board meeting and the awarding of the Mia Fischer-David Research Scholarship.

Early Hagana member Moshe Rihan at 93

HAIFA (Itim). – Moshé Rihan, one of the first members of the Hagana and its commander in the Haifa area in 1948, died here on Monday at the age of 93.

Rihan was born in Germany and was awarded the Iron Cross for his bravery as a German officer in World War I. He came to this country in 1938.

Stray tank shell hits kibbutz chicken coop

Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV. – An officer and three men were injured yesterday morning when a shell was accidentally fired from their tank into Kibbutz Ein Gev from an IDF firing range in the Golan.

The shell hit an abandoned chicken coop and no one in the kibbutz was injured. The officer's injuries were last night described as medium to light, while the three soldiers received treatment and returned to their unit.

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Shlomo Lorincz will retire as Aguda avoids a split

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knsset Reporter



The rival wings of Agudat Yisrael reached agreement on a united Knesset list after an all-night meeting that ended early yesterday morning. Aguda's central committee is due to meet this morning to approve the final list.

Under the agreement, Shlomo Lorincz will retire from the Knesset, where he has served for 23 years. Menahem Porush, whose retirement had also been demanded by the Rabbi of Gur, will have the second slot on the list (after Avraham Shapira).

Third on the list will be a representative of Lorincz's faction, the Aguda Youth, and fourth, MK Shmuel Halpert. Shapira and Halpert represent the hassidim, Lorincz and Porush represented the Lithuanian yeshivot.

The Rabbi of Gur, who heads Aguda's Council of Sages and is the spiritual mentor of Aguda's hassidic MKs, reportedly softened his stand after Shapira said he would not run for re-election if the party split.

Porush successfully resisted all demands that he be the only one required to promise to resign after one, or even two years, in the next Knesset.

The compromise reached was that the first 10 candidates on Aguda's list deposit with the Council of Sages letters of resignation from the Knesset, dated two years after the convening of the Eleventh Knesset.

It will be the council's prerogative at that time to decide which of these letters of resignation shall be activated. It may be assumed that if this is done only with respect to Porush, there will be trouble.

Halpert yesterday withdrew the request he had submitted to the House Committee on Monday requesting that he and Shapira be recognized as a separate Knesset faction.

Knesset lists to be filed tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The official submission of candidate lists for the July 23 Knesset elections begins at 9 a.m. tomorrow, and except for a three-hour break in the afternoon, continued till midnight.

The formal listing ceremonies will take place at the Knesset building, where the Central Elections Committee for the eleventh Knesset maintains its headquarters. Justice Gavriel Bach, chairman of the committee, will preside.

Existing Knesset factions will submit their candidates' names plus their declarations of acceptance of the nominations. New factions also will have to attach a list of 2,500 signatures of their supporters.

In addition, all submissions must include IS500,000 – in cash or a bank cheque.

"Sorry, no personal cheques will be accepted," committee spokeswoman Sara Yitzhaki said yesterday.

Arab Labour MK won't run alone

Special to The Jerusalem Post

NAZARETH. – Hamad Halla, a Labour MK, will not run for the eleventh Knesset on his own ticket. This decision was made during a gathering at his home in the village of Sakhnin yestrday.

Halla explained that because of a lack of financial resources, planning and time, he had called off his original plan to head an independent list to deal with Arab problems in the Knesset.

Halla was not placed in a safe slot on the Labour list since he failed to gain the support of Arab active members of his party. Meanwhile, it was rumoured that Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres will meet soon with Halla to settle their differences.

Peace Now backs doves, in and out of Labour

Peace Now has called on its members and followers to provide help to the Labour Party, Shinui, the Citizens Rights Movement, Mapam, and Arie Eliav in the election campaign, since the movement leadership has decided not to put up its own list for the Knesset.

Peace Now movement leaders have kept up a series of meetings with Labour Party officials, a movement spokesman said, in an effort "to soften certain stands" taken by the party in its platform.

Zamir to investigate electoral fraud charge

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – High Court Justice Gavriel Bach, chairman of the Central Elections Committee, has passed on a complaint of possible electoral fraud to Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir.

The complaint, lodged by Shinui MK Mordechai Virshubski, concerns funds allegedly channelled to moshav rabbis by a group connected to the National Religious Party.

To back up his complaint, Virshubski provided Bach with material from one of the rabbis concerned. Bach informed Virshubski yesterday that he had transferred the complaint to Zamir, because he lacks the means to investigate it thoroughly himself.

BEGIN REFUSES

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Levy, the campaign manager, refuses to let him have either post – both are already filled. Sharon is steadfast in his refusal to be responsible for special operations, the job he held in the 1981 campaign.

Some party figures believe that Sharon's refusal is a form of sulking, after having failed to secure assurances from Shamir that he would be given a senior cabinet portfolio in the next government, should it again be formed by the Likud. Shamir has denied that he will keep Sharon out of any possible future Likud cabinet, but has not satisfied Sharon with specific assurances either.

Shamir held lengthy telephone conversations yesterday with both Sharon and Levy in an effort to find some sort of employment for Sharon in the Likud campaign. But so far, no solution has been found, except for promises by both Levy and Sharon that they will do their utmost "to surmount the difficulties."

PERES-NAVON

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Labour Party sources added that if Peres forms the next government, he is likely to have two deputies, since a second deputy premiership has been offered former foreign minister Abba Eban, who has long been the party's candidate for foreign minister. Eban also has been offered the post of information minister, but sources added that his exact responsibilities have not been finalized.

They report that the arrangement being considered would, in effect, split the foreign ministry into two. Eban would get information and might be put in charge of the peace negotiations. His new ministry might get as much as half of the budget ordinarily earmarked for the Foreign Ministry, the sources said.

Eban would not comment last night, but he told *The Jerusalem Post* that he will call a press conference on Friday to make his position clear.

Sources close to Eban told *The Post* that he is still studying the proposals put to him by the party and that an agreement has not been reached in full, but that one is expected in the next few days.

The sources further expressed surprise that Peres chose to make a public announcement which dealt only with "half the problem," namely the Navon appointment but failed to make any mention of the jobs planned for Eban. The sources said they expected a parallel statement, which would address itself to both persons involved.

Sources close to Peres told *The Post*, however, that he would prefer not to make any more statements regarding possible future portfolio allocations. He made Navon the exception because of his No. 2 ranking.

But Peres is reported to be under very heavy pressure from several more ministerial candidates who would like promises already made informally to them to be bolstered by official announcements. This is especially true regarding the finance portfolio.

NRP SPLIT

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Hammer's Young Guard and Lamifne is patched up, Hammer and Ben-Meir will have lost nothing, since they can then notify the House Committee that they have returned to the NRP.

The recognition they obtained as a Knesset faction is in the nature of an insurance policy. If the split proves to be final, they will not receive state financing (at the expense of the NRP's). They will not have to submit the 2,500 signatures or pay the IS500,000 deposit required of new lists. In addition, they will be represented in the Central Elections Committee.

The NRP executive committee will meet today to approve the party's list.

Night Haga (Civil Defence) Exercise in Shlomi and the Krayot

Today, Wednesday, May 30, there will be a Haga exercise during the hours of the night in Shlomi and the Krayot. During the exercise, the sound of firing and explosions will be heard, and the all clear will be sounded. In the event of a real attack, the sirens will sound a rising and falling note.

Tomorrow, Haga Exercise in Bat Yam

Tomorrow, Thursday, May 31, there will be a Haga exercise in Bat Yam. Haga, police, fire brigade and Magen David Adom personnel will take part. During the exercise, Haga and incendiary incidents will be staged, and continued notes will be sounded on fire engine and rescue vehicle klaxons.

In the event of a real attack, the sirens will sound a rising and falling note.



Alice Dor-Cohen holds a rooster during a rehearsal with other dancers of a new production, *Arena of the Roosters*, written by Eli Dor-Cohen, to be staged at the Citadel as part of the Israel Festival. Performances are scheduled for June 3, 4, 6 and 7. (Zoom 77)

ISRAEL FESTIVAL '84

Canadian dancer gags, tramples flags

By DORA SOWDEN
Post Dance Critic

Marie Chouinard's second programme, presented yesterday afternoon at Jerusalem's Gerard Behar Centre, was much less eventful than her programme the night before. This one was called *Entree en Matiere* and was described in English as "a favourable organic moment," performed on a bare stage with a plain white backdrop.

She came out in a short white shift so high above the knee that when she swung about it was obvious that she wore nothing at all underneath.

She began by sitting down, sticking a finger in her throat and making vomiting noises. Thereafter, the only sounds were her breathing, a short drone she made through her nose and a brief piping sound in her windpipe.

For the rest, she moved about, lay down, twisted, and cavorted for about 45 minutes. There was nothing to show any special dancing quality.

The previous day the Canadian dancer began with washing her long blonde hair in a basin of water, then extracting a green pepper from the same water and eating it. Sitting down, she pushed off her upper garments and remained topless while she masturbated. What else?

One such was a line of little earth mounds with little flags on top, including the Israeli flag. These she trampled. Finally, she took what looked like a live baby iguana out of a glass box, held it against her and then held it up for the audience to see.

Pianist won't play

Pianist Martha Argerich has cancelled her June 6 appearance in the Israel Festival for family reasons, it was announced yesterday. In her place festival artist Ivo Pogorelich will perform piano works by Chopin, Prokofiev and Beethoven.

Video tapes shown at Avrushmi trial

The prosecution yesterday concluded its presentation of evidence in the trial of Yona Avrushmi in the Jerusalem District Court. Avrushmi is accused of the grenade murder of Emil Grunzweig at a Peace Now demonstration last year.

The prosecution screened video tapes which were made clandestinely during Avrushmi's interrogation. In one taped segment, Avrushmi told police that pyschological pressure would not succeed in forcing him to confess to anything he had not done.

In another segment, Avrushmi compared the methods of interrogation used on him to those used in Russia.

The defence will begin presenting its case in several weeks. One of the witnesses it plans to call is Avrushmi. (Itim)

KNESSET DEBATE

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As to his remark about "gouging out the eyes" of Arab murderers of Jewish children, Cohen-Avidov said he had used this expression, which he said was in the best Biblical tradition, at the memorial meeting for Danny Katz of Haifa.

But the media, he charged, republished this a month later, making it appear that he had said this in support of Jewish terrorists.

In a "personal statement to the press," Science and Development Minister Yuval Ne'eman said that "in the lynch atmosphere prevailing against the underground suspects, even level-headed people like MK Shlomo Hillel begin attacking public figures who do not follow the herd and speak without hostility of certain people."

Karameh to present policy, pledges to get Israelis out

BEIRUT – Prime Minister Rashid Karameh's new national unity government will promise to free Lebanon from Israeli occupation, rebuild the army and restore security in a policy statement to be voted on by parliament today, Karameh announced yesterday.

It was the first official announcement about the contents of the policy statement agreed to by Lebanon's main Christian and Moslem warlords. Karameh's government is expected to easily win the vote of confidence necessary to make the government official.

Beirut's state radio said the government had authorized police controlling the mid-city neighbourhood where the parliament will meet to shoot any militiaman who tries to approach. Parliament Speaker Kamel Assad had claimed the area, on the "Green Line" between East and West Beirut, would not be safe unless such an order was given, and threatened to call off the parliament session if it was not forthcoming.

The area around Villa Mansour, where the session will be held, has been the scene of frequent fighting between rightist Christian and Moslem militiamen and the Lebanese Army in recent weeks.

SAUDI MISSILES

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The president had authority to skirt any congressional opposition by imposing a national security provision in the Foreign Military Sales Act. Normally, Congress has 30 days to consider such transfers.

In making the Stinger announcement, Romber also disclosed that the U.S. will accelerate shipment of conformal fuel tanks for Saudi F-15s. These tanks, originally designed and developed in Israel, will extend the flying time for the Saudi F-15s.

Administration officials said Saudi Arabia has made a specific decision to challenge Iranian aircraft in the Gulf. At the same time, they said, Saudi Arabia is still reluctant for political reasons to engage the Iranians.

U.S. officials acknowledged that the Saudis – "on paper" have – a clear superiority over Iran in aerial combat. But the Saudi military, which has been masively armed over the years by the U.S., remains untested.

Administration officials also conceded thta there is no hard intelligence evidence on Iranian plans for kamikaze-type aerial attacks against Saudi Arabia and its oil fields. But at the same time, they noted that Iran's behaviour is unpredictable.

The Stingers, Pentagon spokesman Michael Burch said, "sort of fill in a gap," because they are portable and very accurate against such low-flying suicide missions.

New savings scheme based on bank shares

Post Economic Reporter

The Ministerial Economic Committee yesterday approved a new savings scheme proposed by the Treasury based on bank shares.

According to the committee's decision, the scheme will mature after two years and yield a 12-per-cent net annual interest.

It was decided that enrolment in the scheme will be limited to the first two weeks after it is made public. The shares will be deposited at their current value, and persons who have already frozen their shares for four or six years in last year's scheme will not be allowed to join the new scheme.

Two-hour warning strike by high-school teachers today

By LEA LEVAVI
and D'VORA BEN SHAUL
Jerusalem Post Reporters

TEL AVIV. – Junior-high and high-school teachers belonging to the Secondary School Teachers Association will strike between 10 a.m. and noon today as a warning and protest against the Education Ministry's failure to issue new instructions on cuts in instruction hours and the ministry's unwillingness to change its school autonomy plan.

The union said it had reached oral agreement with ministry officials to accomplish the necessary budget cuts without cutting classroom teaching hours, but school principals are still bound by the original written instructions requiring them to cut an hour a week in every class. The union wants new instructions which will reflect the oral agreements.

The ministry has refused to change its decision to give schools administrative autonomy, a decision which the union fears will destroy its ability to protect teachers' rights or to sponsor national activities. (The autonomy plan would give schools latitude in setting their own vacation days, making changes in the work week, etc.)

If the ministry does not meet the union's demands by the end of the week, 12th grade teachers will not supervise *bagrut* (matriculation) exams and will not record pupils' protective marks.

The *bagrut* examination in Arabic scheduled today will be administered as planned and will not be affected.

The Histadrut Teachers' Union will not participate in today's strike, but is planning its own sanctions (over the same issues) if the dispute is not resolved by the end of the 15-day cooling-off period which started when the union declared a labour dispute on Sunday.

Education Ministry spokesman Israel Cohen yesterday sharply criticized the unions for their demand for pay increments and for their stand against the ministry's autonomy plan.

Cohen said the teachers have received pay increments of 7.5 per cent last year and will receive another 5 to 6 per cent in the coming year and that there is no justification for declaring a labour dispute.

Bill would make education free for all pre-schoolers

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Knesset Education Committee is to vote next Monday on recommending extension of free compulsory education to three- and four-year-olds.

If the private member's bill by the Alignment's Michael Bar-Zohar is approved by the House, it would save hundreds of thousands of parents the cost of pre-school child supervision, and would, probably lead to the closure of thousands of private pre-kindergartens.

At a committee discussion of the Bar-Zohar bill yesterday, a Treasury representative assailed the idea, claiming the cost to the state would be IS11.75 billion annually (in 1984 prices) for six straight years for operating budget alone. Development budgeting for the first year would come to IS19.9 billion, he added.

Committee chairwoman Ora Namir took issue with the Treasury representative saying: "The real argument over compulsory pre-schooling is whether or not Arab children are to benefit. If Bar-Zohar's bill becomes law, the children of Israeli Arabs will be covered.

"While 96 per cent of Israeli Jewish children aged three to four attend pre-kindergarten, only 11 per cent of Israeli Arab children are so enrolled."

Most committee members back the proposed law, which would become effective over six years.

In another matter, the committee was asked to approve an amendment to the law that requires employers to permit workers to take time off (fully paid) to do guard duty at their children's schools. The amendment would extend that requirement to cases where the schools are located across the green line.

Ya'acov Gil (Alignment) opposed, this claiming that "every move that extends Israeli practice in Judea and Samaria means creeping annexation."

Levy crosses Treasury by freezing rent on state flats

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

Deputy Premier and Housing Minister David Levy angered Treasury officials earlier this month by vetoing a 40 per cent hike in the rents charged for Amidar flats.

Treasury officials said that by the time the government is willing to raise the rents, after the election, a 100-per-cent increase will be needed to make up for the low rate now being charged by the Housing Ministry.

Some Finance Ministry officials planned to write a letter of complaint to Housing Ministry Director-General Asher Viner, but the plan was dropped and the criticism has been restricted to the Treasury's corridors.

But meanwhile, the Finance Ministry has not remained unaffected by the pervasive spending mood in the government, which critics call "election economics." Today, the Knesset Finance Committee will debate a request to transfer some IS2.3 billion from the budget reserve to finance subsidies for fuel.

The price of fuel was increased this month by 9 per cent, instead of 18 per cent in accordance with the rate of devaluation of the shekel, and this has made it necessary to subsidize fuel.

In addition, the committee will discuss a government request to pay citrus growers some IS1.2 billion. The item was not registered in the original budget and will also have to come from the reserve fund.

Pay hikes for soldiers

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

All standing army personnel will receive a 9 per cent wage increase, the Treasury and Defence Ministry agreed yesterday. Personnel in priority posts and in combat units will receive an additional 9 per cent increase.

Treasury wage director Hillel Dudai told reporters yesterday that the standing army personnel will also be able to join savings schemes such as the "advanced study funds" (keren hishtalmut) enjoyed by many academic and professional workers.

Dudai said that the total cost of the pay increases will be some IS18 billion. He warned that if the police get the same increase, the cost will rise by an additional IS5.5b.

Dudai also defended last week's "parity compensation" of IS10,344 a month granted to some 20,000 civil servants. According to figures he presented, the civil servants were paid some 4.4 per cent less in April than their average for 1983. At the same time, the average wage in the economy was some 1.8 per cent higher in April than in 1983.

OIL. – A Soviet drilling ship has struck oil off the coast of Southern Vietnam after more than three years of exploration, Tass news agency reported yesterday in Moscow.

With deep sorrow, we announce the untimely passing of our beloved husband, father, grandfather

ABRAHAM (Ab) VREEDENBURG ז"ל

The funeral will leave today, Wednesday, May 30, 1984 at 2.30 p.m. from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Daphna Street, Tel Aviv, for the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

Wife: Sophie
Sons, Daughter and their families
Sister and family

Shiva at 23 Yona St., Ramat Gan.

In deep sorrow, we announce the passing of

AB VREEDENBURG

former Chairman of the Board, and one of the Founders of Beit Juliana.

Our sincere condolences to the family.

Queen Juliana Parents Home, Herzliya

Tel Aviv, high-risk roads to be improved this year

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV – The Transport Ministry is to spend about IS60 million this fiscal year on road safety improvements in the greater Tel Aviv area. The municipalities involved have pledged that they will add some IS400m. Highway Safety Administration head Moshe Amirav told reporters here yesterday.

Amirav added that an additional IS2b. is to be spent this fiscal year on safety improvements for interurban roads. This will be carried out together with the Public Works Department. Top priority will be given to four out of the 13 "red-roads" which are the site of many accidents.

The four roads are the Ashdod-Ashkelon, Kastina-Beersheba, Acre-Nahariya and Kiryat Shmoña-Rosh Pina highways. Negotiations are going on to add a fifth road to this year's plan – the Golani-Yagur road.

Amirav said that part of the money is coming from three per cent of each car owner's compulsory insurance, as mandated by law. The insurance companies have refused to contribute additional funds voluntarily to road safety projects, he added.

Inside the cities, special stress is being put this year on the Greater Tel Aviv area, where 80 per cent of urban traffic intersection accidents occur. Plans call for improvement of intersections, up from 30 last year.

Part of the money will go to build a number of pedestrian bridges, and the HSA will also build bicycle paths in Yavne, Ashdod and the Jordan Valley. Road safety playgrounds to instruct pupils will be renovated in Ashdod, Ramle, Yavne, Tel Aviv, Kiryat Malachi and Hadera.

In several Jerusalem quarters, bumps will be placed on roads to prevent automobiles from driving faster than 25 - 30 kilometres per hour. If the experiment proves successful, it will be tried out in other parts of the country. Such bumps already exist in small towns and kibbutzim, where they have led to a drop in the number of accidents.



Yvonne Maiersdorf (right), wife of the late Belgium Keren Hayesod chairman, Leon Maiersdorf, receives flowers from a resident in Jerusalem's Katamon Het and Tet quarter yesterday during an inauguration ceremony for a housing project. Mayor Teddy Kollek looks on. (Scoop Sela)

Reservists, Arab victims testify against Border Police

Two residents of the West Bank town of Halhul and two reserve soldiers testified yesterday in Jerusalem District Court against three Border Policemen charged with beating and degrading Arabs there two years ago.

According to the witnesses, the defendants made Halhul residents hit each other, crawl on all fours and bark, and ordered them to sing *Hatikva* and to shout praise for the Border Police.

Haim Alhananof, 23, of Acre, Roni Shabtai, 21, of Jerusalem, and Dani Dahan, 23, of Petah Tikva, are accused of aggravated assault and abuse of their positions.

The alleged incident occurred on April 12, 1982, after an Egged bus was stoned in the Halhul region. IDF and Border Police contingents arrived on the scene and began to round up all men from the town and bring them to the military government headquarters in nearby Hebron.

One of the Halhul witnesses was Abdul-Karaja, 85, who said he was taken out of his house at night, dressed only in underwear, and made to stand up against a wall, with his arms raised, for several hours. There, he said he saw the accused commit beatings and other acts, including forcing fathers and sons to slap each other.

He himself was struck on the hand, Abdul-Karaja said, by a club, which drew blood, before he was eventually allowed to go home.

Also testifying were reservists Gideon Barak and Yosef Gellerman, who said they were asked by their battalion deputy commander to join a certain "Joe" on patrol, together with the driver of the Hebron military governor, several Border Police and two privates.

Joe asked them all to wear civilian clothes, and when they heard about the Halhul stonethrowing, the band headed for the town. There, according to the witnesses, residents were beaten, forced to hit each other, made to crawl and to shout.

Joe, they said, seemed to be in charge of the operation, sometimes taking part in the beatings and sometimes telling the others not to go overboard. (Itim)

Last Galilee Arab village gets water

RAS ALI (Itim). – This Arab village yesterday became the last in Galilee to be connected to the national water system.

Until yesterday, the 500 villagers of Ras Ali had to bring their water by donkey from nearby Nahal Zipori.

The final water link-up was made at a festive ceremony attended by the entire village and several public officials, including Binyamin Gur-Arye, the prime minister's adviser on Arab affairs.

Motti Mashiah, adviser for Galilee Arab affairs, said yesterday the new water system was paid for jointly by the residents and the Arab Affairs Office. He added that similar plans are under way to connect Ras Ali, founded about 80 years ago, to the national electric grid.

Unicef plans child centres in territories

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Unicef, the UN International Children's Emergency Fund, plans to build several child development centres in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with a $1.7 million donation from the Federal Republic of Germany.

This was announced yesterday by the Israel Committee for Unicef, following a meeting with the deputy director at Unicef's Geneva headquarters, Reinhard Freiberg.

The planned centres are intended to identify and treat disabilities in children up to age six and to educate parents in proper growth care. During 1980-83, Unicef spent $495,000 on mother and child clinics and kindergartens in the territories, also donated by the Federal Republic of Germany.

From 1949 to 1966, Israel received $1.5m. in aid from Unicef, but since then has become a contributor to the organization. Israel donates $25,000 a year to Unicef.

Unicef operates in 111 countries with an annual budget of $350m. Three-quarters of its funds come from governmental donations and the rest from private contributions.

The new chairman of the Israel Unicef Committee, Dr. Shimon Amir, noted that since Unicef is one of the few UN agencies not influenced by politics, Israel has been able to play a positive role and contribute from its own experience in caring for poorly educated and disease-prone immigrant children.

Amir succeeded former MK Zena Harman, who founded the Israel committee in 1969.

Belgian Jews dedicate housing project

Special to The Jerusalem Post

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and Deputy Housing Minister Moshe Katzav yesterday greeted 150 Belgian officials in Jerusalem's Katamon quarter, where they inaugurated a 40-unit housing project.

A departure from standard *shikun* housing, the development Nele Kehilot Belia, was built through a $3 million contribution by Belgian Jewry under Project Renewal. The Belgium United Israel Appeal-Keren Hayesod undertook the project as part of a major attempt to improve housing conditions in the distressed neighbourhoods.

The housing project is designed to encourage social integration among residents. Facilities for shopping, socializing and learning, along with a synagogue and nursery, are within easy walking distance.

Apartments range from two rooms for young couples or elderly residents, to five rooms for large families.

Two apartments, equipped with ramps and other special facilities, are available for the handicapped.

Thirty-two units have been sold so far to residents of Katamon Het and Tet.

Haifa hospital cancels 20 operations

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. – More than 20 operations were cancelled at Rothschild Hospital yesterday following the administration's decision to shut all but two of the hospital's six operating theatres, *The Jerusalem Post* was told.

About 75 patients who had been scheduled for elective surgery – ranging from hernia operations to hip replacements – were sent home. Another 30 persons, who should have been admitted yesterday, were turned away.

The hospital director, Dr. Dov Golan, said only six major operations were performed although minor procedures involving the use of local anesthetic were carried out.

The administration's decision to partially close the hospital was taken because of what it considered to be the dangers to patients arising from the suspension of work on the west wing building which supplies water and electricity for the entire hospital.

Golan said that apart from the breakdown of the two standby generators, there were also problems with the pumping mechanism for both the fire extinguisher hydrants and the centralized suction system.

Patients were given leaflets by the staff explaining the situation, which has resulted in lengthening the hospital's waiting list for treatment.

Taxi fares to go up 10 per cent on Friday

Jerusalem Post Staff

Taxi fares are to go up by 10 per cent on Friday, a Transport Ministry spokesman said yesterday. The first amount shown on the taxi meter will be IS220 and each subsequent unit after will be IS10.

Taxi owners are required to have meters adjusted to correspond to the new prices on the day these go into effect. The public is advised not to pay any supplement.

Family celebrates PoW's 28th birthday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Family and friends of Ank Liberman, an Israeli prisoner of war in Syria, gathered at his Holon home earlier this week to celebrate his 28th birthday.

Liberman has been in Syrian captivity since June 11, 1982, the day that the cease-fire between Israel and Syria took effect.

The party was organized by Liberman's wife and parents, and the assembled guests toasted his early release and that of the other Israelis being held by the Syrians and the PLO.

Soroka offers surgery for mongolism

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. – Negev residents suffering from Down's syndrome (mongolism) no longer have to go abroad for plastic surgery, according to Dr. Dan Hauben, deputy director of the Soroka Medical Centre here.

He said that the centre's plastic-surgery department has successfully reconstructed the faces of three such patients.

"The series of operations, which takes less than a week to perform and is relatively simple, eliminates the patients' distinctive facial features that stigmatize them in our society," he declared.

Ya'ir Shapira, director of the centre, told the press that 10 new or expanded wards and services have opened recently.

"The master plan calls for Soroka to become a centre of the first rank, giving medical services of every kind to the population of the Negev," said Shapira.

The 10 departments, in which $1,650,000 were invested, are the children's emergency room; children's ambulatory unit; separate outpatient clinics for children, with archives; youth department; pediatric intensive-care unit; gynecology emergency ward; intensive-care cardiac unit; intensive-care respiratory unit; a fourth department of internal medicine; and a psychiatric ward with 20 beds.

Although Beersheba has a psychiatric hospital run by the Health Ministry, the directors of Soroka felt it was necessary to enable all Negev residents to get a well-rounded facility.

Later this year a separate unit for treatment of skin diseases and a cancer ward will be opened.

Rumanian chief rabbi praises Ceaucescu

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu was lauded yesterday by Rumanian Chief Rabbi Moshe Rosen for his positive response to the spiritual and cultural needs of Rumanian Jewry.

Rosen said that it was precisely because Ceaucescu had put no barriers in the path of the perpetuation of Jewish tradition that "the Jews of Rumania came to Lod and not to New York."

Recalling his 46-year-career as a rabbi and teacher, Rosen said that his target had always been to foster Jewish loyalty and a love for Zion among the remnants of the Holocaust.

It was for his work in preserving Jewish identity that Rosen yesterday received the Shazar Prize from President Chaim Herzog and Dr. Eli Tabin, head of the World Zionist Organization's Department of Education and Culture in the Diaspora. The prize, named in memory of Israel's third president, is awarded annually to educators and educational institutions for outstanding achievements in the Diaspora.

Prizes were awarded also to the Tarbut Hebrew School in Mexico; the Jewish Pedagogic Centre in Buenos Aires; the Agnon Seminar for kindergarten teachers in Argentina, and the Ami kindergarten and primary school in France.

Nuclear researchers plan warning strike

By ROY ISACOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – As labour unrest continue in anticipation of new work agreements and the elections, engineers and technicians involved in nuclear research will hold a two-day warning strike today and tomorrow, on the grounds that the employers are not honouring work agreements.

The Engineers and Technicians Union said yesterday that the employers had failed to pay the workers a wage increment as agreed in a 1983 pact between the union, the Treasury budget director and representatives of the defence establishment.

Meanwhile, the Histadrut will consider approving separate negotiations by each public sector union, if the government and the public sector employers adopt a stand that does not allow the early conclusion of an overall framework agreement for the public sector.

This was stated yesterday by trade union department chairman Haim Haberfeld at a meeting of the department's coordinating committee.

The talks between the Histadrut and the national union, on the one side, and the government and public employers, on the other, will resume tomorrow.

Court won't interfere in PoW exchange

The High Court of Justice yesterday rejected the petition of a bereaved father, who had sought an injunction barring the prime minister and defence minister from releasing the terrorist who murdered his son and daughter-in-law, in a possible future exchange of prisoners.

Azriel Barak's son, Uriel, and the daughter-in-law, Hadassah, were murdered by Mohammed Shubaki on February 27, 1979, while on an excursion near Beit Guvrin. Shubaki was sentenced by a military court to life imprisonment for this crime and for the subsequent murders of yeshiva students in Hebron. Two of the court's three judges had voted for the death penalty, but the third dissented and Shubaki received a life sentence.

In his petition, Barak argued that the government was liable to offer to exchange Shubaki for Israelis held by Syria or the terrorist organizations in some future negotiation. He asked the High Court to instruct the government not to interfere with the sentence imposed by the military court, on grounds of a lack of jurisdiction.

Justices Aharon Barak, Moshe Baisky and Shlomo Levin denied the petition, pointing out that while they sympathized with Barak, the subject of the petition is under the government's discretion and the court cannot interfere. (Itim)

Life term for suspected 'collaborator'

BEERSHEBA (Itim). – Two security prisoners in the jail here were sentenced to additional terms of life imprisonment yesterday after being found guilty in district court of murdering another security prisoner whom they suspected of collaborating with Israeli authorities.

Hasi Ali Hasin, 24, a Jordanian who was serving a 22-year sentence, and Uda Abu Awada, 28, of Ramallah, who was already serving a life sentence, were convicted of strangling Mahmoud Zaydan, 31, in May 1983.

The defendants said that as members of the PLO's Fatah faction, they were duty-bound to kill traitors. As they were led out of court after their sentencing, the defendants smiled and flashed the "V" sign.

BAR-ILAN. – The Bar-Ilan University senate yesterday elected Prof. Michael Albeck to an additional term as rector and Prof. Shlomo Albeck to an additional term as dean of the law school. Prof. Harvey Rabkoff was elected dean of the social sciences department.

APPOINTMENT. – The cabinet on Sunday approved the appointment of Baruch Levy as director-general of the Transport Ministry. A lawyer, Levy served for the past three years as adviser to Transport Minister Haim Corfu.

Bus-hijacking alarm turns out to be false

KIRYAT GAT (Itim). – A misinterpreted signal by an Egged bus driver yesterday led to the raising of a false alarm that a hijacking was taking place and caused a security alert later which sealed roads around this southern town.

The incident occurred at 10.30 a.m., when the driver of one of two buses carrying schoolchildren on an outing signalled with his headlights to the second driver, to alert him of a technical malfunction.

Other drivers on the Plugot road, seeing a man standing beside the driver, thought he was signalling that the bus was being hijacked. They alerted police, who sealed the roads, stopped the bus near Kiryat Gat and discovered it was a false alarm. The man beside the driver turned out to be one of the teachers, who had been giving the driver directions.

WUJS: North American students favoured here

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Leaders of the World Union of Jewish Students (WUJS) yesterday lashed out against one-year foreign student programmes in Israel's universities. At a press conference held at Beit Agron in Jerusalem, newly elected WUJS chairman David Makovsky and student leaders from North America, Latin America, South Africa, Australia and Europe complained that of the 11,000 foreign student in Israeli universities 95 per cent come from the U.S. and Canada.

They charged that Israeli universities have not made sufficient effort to coordinate their programmes with overseas university requirements other than those of North America.

If the WUJS leadership fails to persuade university administrators here to make more provision for students from other countries, students from the 33 countries under the WUJS umbrella will organize petitions and mount protest demonstrations.

Makovsky last night told *The Jerusalem Post* that as a final resort non-American contributors to the universities would be contacted and told that it was absurd that "the money which they give to the universities is kosher, but that students (from the same country) are not."

BIALIK. – A four-day conference on the life and work of Chaim Nahman Bialik is being held this week at Bar-Ilan University to mark the 50th anniversary of the national poet's death.

Ethiopian olim to have centre in TA

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first of a series of absorption centres geared to the needs of Ethiopian youngsters who are here without their parents is to open in Tel Aviv this week. It will accommodate about 100 Ethiopian children aged 12 to 18.

Uri Gordon, head of Youth Aliya, announced yesterday that the Hofim Youth Village near Acre will become the main absorption centre for Ethiopian youth. It can absorb 250 youngsters, but it will be enlarged to take in 400.

Two other large absorption centres will open shortly in Kiryat Malachi and Petah Tikva. The olim will live in these centres for several months, until they have mastered Hebrew and adjusted to the Israeli education system.

SA general takes part in Palmahim fun jump

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Defence Reporter

PALMAHIM. – An active South African major general and a retired 73-year-old French colonel were among 150 foreign paratroopers, mostly veterans, who jumped out of Israel Air Force Hercules transport planes yesterday.

The South African, Major General Martinus Duplessis of his country's general staff, jumped together with his son Caspar, a lieutenant in Pretoria's army. Their last joint jump was when the younger Duplessis got his wings.

The group, which included two foreign women, was joined by six Israeli women soldiers.

All but one landed safely: a 43-year-old former member of the U.S. Green Berets tore a ligament in his knee when his shoe got stuck in the door and the wind outside the plane twisted his body. He was sent to Sheba Hospital at Tel Hashomer.

It was the 11th annual visit – and jump – for members of the Free World Paratroopers Organization. What is now described in the IDF as a "tradition" began with exchanges between Israeli and French paratroopers, but this year' members from nine countries came.

After laying a wreath of flowers brought from France at the memorial to Israeli paratroopers, the guests were taken to a two-hour refresher course for rolls and jumps out of dummy training planes.

They clearly enjoyed reliving their army days, wearing their medals, rank insignia, camouflage uniforms and army boots. After dinner and the sounds of popping champagne corks, one of the French members climbed on a chair and led his group through an anthem.

Some confessed they always get nervous before a jump, but 73-year-old Andre le Maitre, a retired French colonel, vigorously shook his head when asked whether he was nervous. "Not at all," he insisted, sitting on the ground in a shed next to his gear. "I've been jumping since I was 13 years old, and feel rejuvenated after each jump."

Some jumped to gain the Israeli paratroopers wings. Lt. Gaylord Pikula of the U.S. 2nd infantry division based in South Korea said: "It will be a lot of prestige to be able to wear them. Only 20 or 30 people in the U.S. Army have Israeli airborne wings."

Israeli academics go to Mediterranean meet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA – Israeli professors met with colleagues from Libya, Lebanon and Egypt during a meeting of the newly formed Community of Mediterranean Universities in Bari, Italy, recently.

Prof. Avraham Ofek, a member of the three-member Israeli delegation, said the discussions were "warm and friendly."

The conference, initiated by Prof. Luigi Ambrosi, rector of Bari University, was attended by 60 delegates representing universities in 11 Mediterranean countries. The aim is to encourage cooperation on a wide variety of research topics.

KIDNEYS. – A $95,000 nephrological research laboratory was opened this week at the Histadrut Kupat Holim Clalit's Afula General Hospital, to replace the cramped temporary building previously used by the research staff. Money for the project was raised by the Friends of the Afula Hospital Society.

TA open-air concert pre-empts rail service

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – Railway traffic to and from Tel Aviv will be suspended between 8 p.m. and midnight tomorrow in order not to disturb the open-air concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in Hayarkon Park.

The free concert, said to be the largest event of its kind in the history of Israel, will feature conductor Zubin Mehta and guest soprana Montserrat Caballe. The programme will include *Hallelujah*, from Handel's *Messiah*, the aria *Love and Music*, from Puccini's Tosca and the *1812 Overture*, complete with fireworks, by Tchaikovsky.

The concert is being organized by the Tel Aviv municipality as part of the city's 75th anniversary celebrations. It begins at 8:30 p.m.

SALE. – More than 120 art objects and other items are to go on sale to benefit the Soldiers' Welfare Association at the Tel Aviv Hilton June 9, at 7:30 p.m.

"Music For A While" — The David Trio
an evening in the cloisters of the Redeemer Church, Old City, Jerusalem
CILLA GROSSMEYER — Soprano
YEHUDA SHRYER — Guitar, SHLOMO TIDHAR — Recorder
Works by Purcell, Bach, Handel/Schubert, Britten, Avni.
Thursday, May 31, at 8:30 p.m.
Tickets: IS 650 — students 400 — at the entrance.

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IDF AND B-G

(Nablus-Jenin-Tulkarm) area and the Hebron Hills, Shimoni wrote that "the practical possibility of setting up an independent (Palestinian) state... was declining with each of our conquests." As to his boss – foreign minister Moshe Sharett (Shertok) – Shimoni wrote that Sharett appeared undecided about whether it was preferable for the areas to be conquered by Israel, allowed to remain in Abdullah's hands or set aside for an Israeli-fostered Palestinian state.

Sharett seemed interested in the prospect or possibility of a Palestinian state only as "a stratagem" or tactic which would help Israel counter Transjordanian and Egyptian pressures and demands, Shimoni seemed to conclude.

The fact, however, was that the Foreign Ministry – in one of the only instances where it was approached by the IDF in advance of an operation for 'political' advice – had recommended that the army invade southern Lebanon, and the IDF chief of operations, Aluf Yigael Yadin, had taken the ministry's views into consideration. (The army, however, had not in general carried out the ministry's recommendations regarding the fate of the Arab population of the newly conquered areas in Galilee and Lebanon).

Sasson himself, however, had opposed the entry into Lebanon and, after the IDF invasion, had recommended an IDF withdrawal. Sasson explained: "I do not believe in the capacity of any Christian-opposition group today in Lebanon to launch a rebellion (against the Beirut government of Rashi as-Solh)...even if the Israeli Army reached Sidon or even farther (north)."

Sasson added that he also did not believe that an Israeli invasion would bring Israel any closer to "peace or an understanding" with Lebanon. "I do not agree at all with the assumption that the way of "dictating conditions" should be our route to peace with the Arab world..."

While favouring conquests in general, Ben-Gurion also was aware of their limitations. In an illuminating consultation with senior Israeli officials on April 12, 1949, he outlined part of his political philosophy in this respect: "Regarding conquests – we could perhaps have conquered the 'Triangle', the Golan, the whole of Galilee, but these conquests would not have strengthened our security in a manner comparable with the absorption of immigrants. The doubling and tripling of the number of immigrants adds more and more to our strength...On aliya also depends the fate/size of the state...without settlement there is no value to the conquests." And settlements were contingent on increased aliya.

At a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday, Dr. Avraham Alsberg, the state archivist, said that the new volume has been published in 1,000 copies, which sell abroad for just under $70 per copy including a companion volume. In Israel, the price is somewhat cheaper – IS6,000 for the main volume and IS3,000 for the companion volume, which gives a precis in English of the main volume's Hebrew documents.

The publication of Volume II brings to four the number of state papers volumes published so far. Volume III was published last year. The first volume dealt with the pre-state period of December 1947 through May 14, 1948, and was not given a "volume" number.

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Iran declares it will fight U.S. over Gulf

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) – Iranian President Ali Khamenei defied the U.S. yesterday, pledging to "resist and fight" any U.S. military intervention in the Gulf region.

"If the Americans are prepared to sink in the depths of the Persian Gulf waters for nothing, thousands of kilometres away from their country, then let them come," he told a military audience at the port town of Bandar Abbas, near the Strait of Hormuz.

Speaking in his capacity as the supreme defence council chairman, Khamenei warned that "with their faith, motivation and divine power, our people will resist them (Americans) and will fight."

He cautioned the lower Gulf Arab states to remain neutral in the Iraq-Iran war or risk retaliatory action by the Iranian armed forces.

"You will be (regarded as) neutral in the war if you do not provide (Iraqi President) Saddam (Hussein) with any assistance," he said, addressing his words to the Gulf countries. "However, a neighbour that wants to deliver a blow to us is more dangerous than outsiders, and we should confront that danger."

Khamenei's speech was broadcast by the Iranian state radio. It said the Iranian leader was inspecting war preparedness of his troops in the Gulf.

Iran has accused Gulf Arab countries of pro-Iraqi bias, often complaining that Saudi Arabia and Kuwait were bankrolling the Iraqi war efforts.

Western diplomatic sources estimated Arab financial backing to Iraq at more than $35 billion over three years, in addition to government-guided media campaigns in Iraq's favour.

The Teheran regime of Ayatollah Rohullah Khomeini has demanded the ouster of the Iraqi president and $150b. in reparations as a condition for ending the 44-month-old conflict.

There have been reports indicating that Teheran is willing to drop the demand for reparations, but is still insisting on Saddam's ouster.

The Arab Gulf countries meanwhile, were intensifying contacts and consulation with western and other powers, in hopes of defusing the explosive situation that has virtually paralyzed commercial shipping in the Gulf.

Saudi Arabia and Kuwait were reported to be coordinating military defence action, occasionally sending their warplanes reconnoitering Gulf waters along their territorial waters.

Iran on May 13 and May 14 attacked two Kuwaiti tankers in the lower Gulf area, off the war zone. It rocketed a Saudi Arabian tanker near the Kingdom's Gulf coast May 16. On May 24, the Iranians crippled a Liberian-registered oil-chemical carrier near the Saudi waters.

The Gulf Cooperation Council alliance countries – Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar and Oman – have taken their case against Iran to the Arab League and the U.N. Security Council.

The 45-nation Organization of Islamic Conference has been firming up a new mediation bid to end the Gulf war, while Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat was talking about a new PLO initiative to defuse the conflict.

Arafat also told reporters in Kuwait about an Egyptian peace bid which, he said, "contains good ideas ... and I hope these will be heeded"

Worldwide alert for Arab airplane bombers

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. – The Arab believed to have been responsible for attempting to blow up an El Al flight from Zurich to Tel Aviv four years ago is believed ready to strike again.

According to *The Daily Telegraph*, a "worldwide alert" has been put out for Mohammed Rashid, a Jordanian, and his Moroccan wife Khadija, who are wanted for their alleged involvement in the suitcase-bomb campaign mounted by Abu Ibrahim, leader of the May 15 terrorist group. (The group takes its name from the date on which Israel achieved independence.)

The Rashids, the paper writes, were named by another Arab known as Fuad who was picked up by Greek police searching for the killers of the British Council representative in Athens who was shot dead in March.

Fuad revealed to the Greek police that the Rashids were trained by Abu Ibrahim in Baghdad, "where he works under the protection of the Iraqi government." Abu Ibrahim is believed to have prepared a further five suitcase bombs, and it is feared that the Rashids may have access to them.

Ibrahim's targets, the paper says, "are believed to be American and Israeli planes."

The devices are made in such a way that the plane can make two or three stopover landings before they explode, thus giving the carrier the opportunity to disembark in safety. Another refinement is that X-rays cannot spot the explosive device, the paper says.

Sports

Capital run

Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. – More than 700 men and women are expected to line up in Hebron Road near the capital's Liberty Bell Garden at 4 p.m. today to take part in Hapoel's inaugural Jerusalem international mini-marathon, which is being held as part of the annual Jerusalem Day celebrations. A dozen athletes from Italy and France are already here for the 21.1-kilometre race through the southern districts of the city, which Hapoel is organizing together with the local municipality. But the three participants expected from Zaire had still not arrived by last night.

A 2,600-plus entry is anticipated for the 5-km popular run for all comers, which is being held concurrently with the main event.

With *sharav* conditions forecast for today, 22 watering-stations will be at the disposal of the competitors in the "mini," director Giora Glazer said yesterday. From the Liberty Bell Garden, the race takes a route to Gilo and back. Local police, who will maintain a special security watch during the race, have promised to keep traffic disruptions to a minimum.

Italian Stefano Mazzeo is favourite for the men's title in the "mini" by virtue of having a best time for the distance of 1 hour, 04 minutes, 42 seconds. With local mini-marathon record holder Danny Felsenstein sidelined by injury, the second fastest man in the field is long-time local marathon champion Yair Kazni, whose best effort for the 21-km. race is 1.05.00. Others with a chance are Ein Gedi's Tomer Ran, surprise winner of Maccabi's first Jerusalem "mini" six weeks ago, Yehezkiel Halifa and Aviv Kahana. Halifa plans to take part, following recovery from the injuries he sustained in the Ashkelon bus hijack.

Favourite for the women's event is Zehava Shamell, for whom the race will be part of her build-up for the Los Angeles Olympics marathon – with a fastest time for the "mini" of 1.17.00. Next in line are Italy's Zaklina Papacho (1.25.24) and Shamell's younger sister Mazal Shalom, who took first place in Maccabi's 21-km. Jerusalem run in 1.27.37. These three can expect a strong challenge from Rina Saydon, runner-up to Shalom in the Maccabi race and winner of last year's Tel Aviv marathon and two Mount Tabor cross-country races.

The foreign entry is being beefed up by both UN personnel serving in the area and kibbutz volunteers from many countries. Also among the participants in the mini-marathon will be 300 soldiers – among them members of crack paratrooper and commando units – while, in a new departure on the local running scene, 200 women from the Israel Defence Forces have signed up for the mass-run.

Polish question

By JACK LEON

TEL AVIV. – The Polish Tennis Association has cabled its Israeli counterparts to clarify if the Jerusalem courts where they are due to meet Israel in the Davis Cup next month are located in the east or west of the capital. The unexpected cable from Warsaw came more than a week after the Poles had confirmed their participation in the June 14 to 16 tie at Jerusalem's Israel Tennis Centre, local tennis association spokesman Ilan Ben-Ami told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The association stressed in its reply, that this second-round European Zone "A" match is being played in the western part of Jerusalem, which has been under Israeli control since 1948.

"We presume that, with this clarification, the Polish team will go ahead with their previously agreed plan to come here next week for a full week of acclimatization training in Jerusalem," Ben-Ami added.

This will be Israel's first Davis Cup tie in the capital, all 20 home contests in the competition so far having been held in the Tel Aviv area. Two of these home matches were against East European opponents, Rumania in 1971 and Hungary three years ago.

Rome's big game

ROME (Reuter). – A growing sense of occasion surrounds today's European Soccer Cup Final between Roma and Liverpool.

It is the game everyone has waited for since the competition began last September and there is cause for optimism that the Olympic Stadium here will be the scene of one of the most exciting finals in the 29-year history of the Champions' Cup.

Roma, rightfully, are narrow favourites, though they will be well aware no Italian club has lifted the trophy since Ac Milan did so in 1969.

Despite their glamorous line-up of Italian and Brazilian World Cup stars, Roma are novices in Europe compared with Liverpool, who are seeking their fourth victory.

Liverpool may feel the hostility of the Roman spectators – there will be 50,000 home supporters in the 75,000 crowd – but they certainly will not show it.

"It puts you on your toes when practically every fan in the ground seems to be against you," Graeme Souness, the Liverpool captain said.

He pointed to Liverpool's away wins against Odense, Bilbao, Benfica and Bucharest in the Cup this season as proof of the team's pedigree in front of a hostile audience.

Ian Rush, meanwhile, hopes to score his 50th goal of the season and denies rumours that he will leave Liverpool for the big money on offer on the continent.

"I'm very content living in Chester (in North Wales) and I'm happy being able to walk about without the attention I would get in Italy," Rush said.

The game will be telecast live on Israel Television at 9.15 p.m.

Rain stops French Open Baseball: Monday

PARIS (AP). – Play was abandoned yesterday in the French Open Tennis championships because of rain.

One first round match was completed and three unfinished when officials announced there would be no more play until today.

In the only completed match, played in constant drizzle, French teenager Catherine Tanvier downed Lucia Romanova of Rumania 6-2, 7-5 on the Centre Court at Roland Garros.

Rugby win for tourists

EAST LONDON (AP). – The touring English rugby team beat a selection from the South African Rugby Association 30-9 on Tuesday. The English led 16-4 at half-time.

Poll in California shows Mondale, Hart almost even

LOS ANGELES (Reuter). – Democratic presidential contenders Walter Mondale and Gary Hart are running almost even in the campaign for California, the biggest single primary election prize, according to an opinion poll published Monday.

Political experts said this could mean trouble for Hart, the Colorado senator, whose advisers have said he needs to win the state if he is to persuade the Democratic presidential convention in San Francisco in July that he has a better chance than former vice-president Mondale of beating President Ronald Reagan, the Republican candidate.

California, which sends 345 delegates to the convention, votes on June 5.

In the *Los Angeles Times* poll, conducted among 2,031 people between May 19 and 24, Hart was the choice of 29 per cent of Democrats likely to vote, Mondale of 28 per cent and the third candidate, Rev. Jesse Jackson, of 11 per cent.

According to unofficial estimates, Mondale has about 1,550 delegate votes towards the 1,967 needed to win the nomination. Hart has about 950 and Jackson 300.

Reagan would win 50 per cent of the vote and Hart 45 per cent if the presidential election were held today instead of in November, the poll predicted. It added that the president would defeat Mondale by 53 per cent to 40 per cent.

U.S. honours Vietnam War dead

WASHINGTON (AP). – An unidentified U.S. serviceman of the Vietnam War was buried here on Monday, taking his place with the dead of three other wars in this century who are "known but to God."

President Ronald Reagan led the nation's tribute for the unknown serviceman of Vietnam, bestowing the highest U.S. military decoration, the Medal of Honour.

The unknown soldier was one of 58,012 American soldiers to die in the Vietnam War. Reagan urged Vietnam to help in establishing the fate of 2,489 missing U.S. servicemen.

As the remains rested on a bier over the open grave – behind the unknown soldier of World War I and between the unknowns of World War II and Korea – a rabbi said Kaddish and other chaplains intoned the Orthodox, Roman Catholic and Protestant prayers of committal.

The unidentified body had been kept in a morgue since being shipped from Vietnam.

Rival Moslems clash over running British mosque

READING, England (Reuter) – Police said yesterday they were investigating a series of violent incidents between rival Moslem groups in a dispute over the running of a mosque.

A police spokesman said 70 people praying at the mosque in Reading, southern England, were attacked by about 25 intruders brandishing knives and hockey sticks last Sunday.

The *Daily Telegraph* newspaper said that one man was slashed across the face and taken to a hospital where his condition was reported as satisfactory. Several arrests were made.

In an earlier incident last week, two members of the Wahabi sect were attacked during a prayer meeting. One needed 12 stitches after being hit over the head with a wooden stool. Six men were arrested, police said.

SATELLITES. – The Soviet Union yesterday blasted eight satellites into orbit aboard one booster rocket, Tass news agency reported in Moscow. It said the satellites, in the Cosmos series, carried scientific equipment for space exploration.

Botha arrives in Lisbon, will go on to Switzerland

LISBON. – South African Prime Minister P.W. Botha arrived in Portugal yesterday for a two-day official visit, the first in an image-boosting tour of eight European nations.

Botha's specially-adapted Boeing 747 jumbo jet taxied to a corner of Lisbon Airport away from other traffic apparently for security reasons, and he crossed the runways by car to a guard of honour.

In Bern, however, the Swiss government will give a low-key treatment to what it calls a "semi-official" visit by Botha to Switzerland, a major trade partner of his country.

With the detailed itinerary still kept secret for security reasons, the Foreign Ministry confirmed that Botha and his entourage will be guests at a "courtesy lunch" to be hosted Friday by Swiss President Leon Schlumpf, who is also in charge of the Transport and Energy Ministry. No other member of the federal council, the seven-member executive, will be present.

"Mr. Botha has requested the meeting to explain the situation in South Africa," a Foreign Ministry spokesman said. "This is not a state visit, it is a semi-official visit."

Foreign Minister Pierre Aubert's work schedule will not allow him to attend the lunch, which was originally planned for tomorrow but was "put off in the last minute."



P.W. Botha

The press service of the Swiss Protestant church meanwhile published an open letter by various church groups calling on Schlumpf to "reconsider the opportunity of this visit" which they termed "undesirable" because South Africa's black majority are "still strangers in their homeland... despite all pretended reforms." (AP, Reuter)

Czech dissident freed after 5 years in prison

VIENNA (Reuter) - Peter Uhl, a prominent member of the Charter 77 Czechoslovak human rights movement, was released from prison yesterday after serving a five-year term on charges of subversion, emigre sources said in Vienna.

Uhl, 43, an engineer, was released exactly five years after being arrested together with five other charter signatories, including playwright Vaclav Havel, at the end of May 1979.

The trial, which drew widespread protests in the West, ended with sentences of between one and five years, of which Uhl's was the longest. He was sent to a strict penal regime because he had already served a four-year term in the early 1970s on similar charges.

Churchmen killed near Ugandan seminary

NAIROBI (Reuter). – The Ugandan government yesterday confirmed local press reports that churchmen were killed when government troops fought guerrillas near a seminary east of Kampala recently.

Ugandan Radio, monitored here, said it had learned with deep regret of the killing of churchmen at Namugongo, 15 kilometres east of Kampala.

A Kampala newspaper *Munmo* reported that more than 20 people were feared killed in attacks at the seminary by heavily armed men wearing army uniforms.

Munmo said that the Rev. Eriya Bazira, principal of the Anglican Church of Uganda Theological College at nearby Namirembe, was among those killed.

Ruling party wins big in Venezuelan election

CARACAS (AP). – President Jaime Lusinchi's Democratic Action party assured itself undisputed political control in Venezuela for the next four years with a resounding victory in municipal elections.

Preliminary results on Monday from the Supreme Electoral Council showed the government party with 46.3 per cent of the vote Sunday and the opposition Christian Democrats in distant second place with 20.6 per cent. Some estimates indicated that Democratic Action's final tally could reach 60 per cent.

UK airliner strikes deer on runway

NEWCASTLE, England (AP). – An airliner with 130 vacationers aboard made an emergency landing on Monday after striking a deer on a runway at Newcastle airport, an airline official said.

The Britannia Airways' Boeing 737, bound for Palma, Majorca, struck the deer during an early-morning takeoff, an airline spokesman said. The animal was killed instantly.

The jet continued until ordered to land 320 kilometres to the south at Luton airport near London, where the plane was checked for damage, the spokesman said. The flight was delayed 45 minutes.

AMPUTATION. – A convicted thief had his right hand and left foot publicly amputated yesterday in Khartoum after a martial law court found him guilty of stealing batteries and sheets of zinc, the Sudan news agency reported. It brings to 12 the number of individuals who have had limbs cut off since such punishment was introduced in Sudan

Libya plans suicide attacks on Sudan camps, paper says

LONDON (Reuter). – Libyan "people's congresses" have decided to from suicide squads to destroy sabotage and assasination training camps set up in neighbouring Sudan, the Libyan official Jana news agency said Monday night.

The agency, monitored in London, said that the camps had been set up by Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri under U.S., British and Israeli direction.

It quoted the newspaper *Al-Zahf al-Akhdar* (Green March) published by Libya's revolutionary committees as the source for its report.

Libya has alleged that members of an armed group captured by security forces in Tripoli three weeks ago confessed they were recruited by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) with British cooperation for large-scale sabotage in Libya.

Libyan Justice Minister Muftah Knaibe has said the group comprised members of the fundamentalist Moslem Brotherhood who had been recruited in West Germany, the U.S. and Britain and were trained at a camp in Sudan's Mandara area.

The Libyan agency said in its report Monday night that confessions had revealed that Sudan state security chief General Omar Mohammed el-Tayeb personally supervised training.

Gromyko rejects queries about Sakharov

MOSCOW (Reuter). – Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, visibly irritated, told Australia's foreign minister yesterday that Moscow would not be instructed by outsiders how to deal with dissident Andrei Sakharov.

The Australian minister, Bill Hayden, told reporters that Gromyko had bluntly refused a request for information on Sakharov's health.

Hayden said he expressed concern about the case of Sakharov and his wife Yelena Bonner and asked about their present condition during the last of four rounds of talks with Gromyko.

Sakharov, 63, began a hunger strike on May 2 to press for his wife to be allowed medical treatment abroad. There has been no news of his whereabouts or health for three weeks.

Hayden said Gromyko refused to discuss the issue, telling him it was an internal affair and that Moscow "will not be told how to deal with the Sakharovs by other countries."

"Gromyko then said 'the conversation on this subject ends here' and terminated the dialogue," he added.

Palestinian shot to death in Cyprus

NICOSIA (AP). – A Palestinian man, about 36, was found dead from gunshot wounds early yesterday on the Nicosia-Limassol highway, police and Palestinian sources reported.

His body was found by a taxi driver some 13 kilometres north of Limassol.

The driver saw two men in a car not far from the body, and when he started chasing them, they left the car in a ditch and escaped into the fields, one source, who refused to be identified, said.

The man was killed by one bullet in the right side of his head. An empty shell was found near his body, according to the source.

A Palestinian source, who also wished not to be identified said the man, whose name was Sa'adi, was a member of the Syrian-backed Palestinian terrorist group as-Saika, but had recently withdrawn from the group.

The man lived with his family in Larnaca for several years but was a frequent traveller. The last time he returned to Cyprus was two months ago.

He was the second Palestinian assassinated in Cyprus this month. On May 3, a gunman shot and killed Hanna Mokbel, secretary-general of the Baghdad-based Arab Journalists Federation, in downtown Nicosia.

Minnesota gays leave notes with bombs

ST. CLOUD, Minnesota (AP). – Six pipe bombs were found and disarmed here Monday, the day after a trip-wired bomb was discovered in another Minnesota town 144 kilometres away, police said.

Notes from the "Gay (homosexual) Strike Task Force" were found with all the bombs, St. Cloud Police Chief Woody Bissett said.

The findings followed the discovery of six bombs in La Crosse, Wisconsin, right across the state line from Minnesota. One person was hit by bomb debris in La Crosse, but otherwise, no injuries have been reported in the string of explosives found since Friday.

The six bombs were found after a rock thrown by a passerby touched off a hidden 15-cm pipe bomb Sunday morning in Stillwater, about 40km northeast of Minneapolis.

Stillwater Police Chief Wally Abrahamson siad that the town's bomb was "identical" to the bombs found in La Crosse.

Abrahamson said that, to his knowledge, there has been no public conflict wtih homosexuals in the community.

N.Y. crowd beats, strips suspected thief

NEW YORK (Reuter). – Police rescued a bruised and bleeding robbery suspect after a crowd including his two alleged victims attacked him and stripped him nearly naked.

The suspect, identified as Raymond Francis, 21, was treated in hospital for injuries suffered during the melee in New York, police said yesterday.

"They punched him around pretty good – he was happy to see us," a police officer said. "When we got there, he just had his pants and socks."

Monday's incident began when a 59-year-old woman who had been robbed five times before was followed home by a man who threw her against a wall and tried to remove a ring from her finger.

The woman said she punched the man in the eye and groin, then ran to her flat to get a kitchen knife.

The would-be robber fled a short distance, knocked down a 32-year-old woman and took four gold chains off her neck.

She, too, fought back, and with a crowd of bystanders chased the man, tackled and held him, while the first victim caught up and began beating him with her shoe as others tore off his clothing, police said.

Long terms sought for 2 'CIA spies'

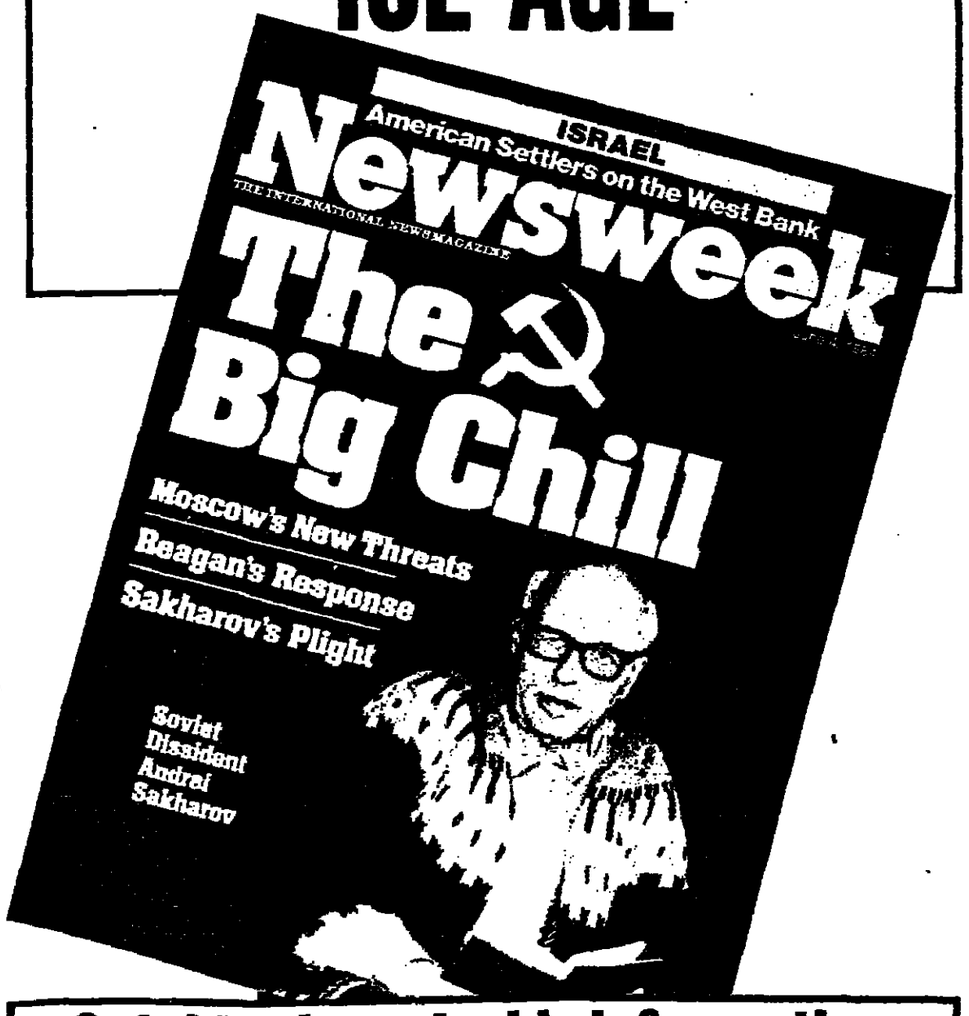
WARSAW (Reuter). – A Polish military prosecutor has demanded prison terms of 25 and 15 years for a Pole and a West German accused of spying for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, newspapers reported yesterday.

The men, Jacek Jurzak and Nogbert Adamaschek, were described by Interior Minister General Czeslaw Kiszczak as "dangerous and extremely harmful" when they were arrested together in southern Poland last November.

The daily *Zycie Warszawy* said they had acknowledged guilt during their trial by the Warsaw district military court and would be sentenced today.

The heavier jail term was sought for university engineer and former rally driver Jurzak who was allegedly to have sent 27 reports containing military, defence and political information to the CIA.

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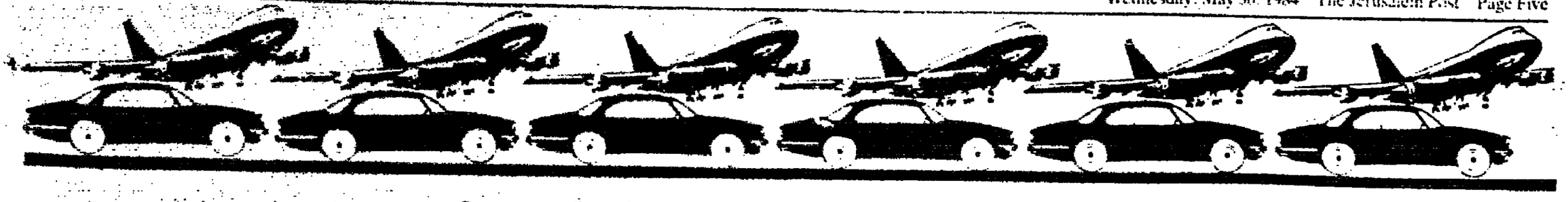
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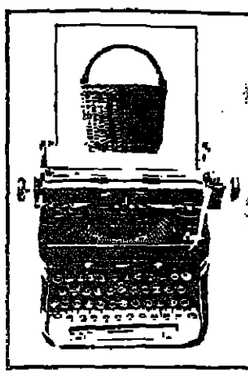
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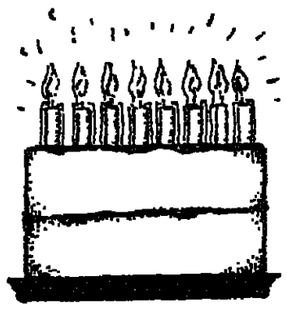
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Consent and regret

LAW REPORT/Asher Felic Landau

In the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Civil Appeals before the President, Justice Meir Shamgar, Justice Aharon Barak and Justice Eliezer Goldberg in the matter of the Attorney General, the appellant, versus A.B., the respondent.

IN JANUARY, 1983, the respondent, A.B., bore a son, and four days later signed a consent for his adoption. Since there was no such consent by his father, he was declared adoptable by the court and handed over to an adoptive family with whom he has since remained. A short while later the respondent told the welfare authorities she had made a mistake, and in June 1983, she moved the District Court for leave to withdraw the consent. The leave was granted, and the Attorney-General appealed to the Supreme Court.

In giving the first judgement of the Supreme Court, Justice Aharon Barak stressed the difficulties in deciding adoption cases in which the maintaining or severing of the relationship between a child and its parents was decided irrevocably, and the test applied, "the best interests of the child" was complicated, embracing many more elements that are unknown rather than known.

The respondent, an unmarried student of 23, became pregnant after relations with a married man of 43, the father of six. She had resolved while pregnant to give the child for adoption, for she wished to terminate her relationship with her lover, a member of an ultra-Orthodox sect (Haredim), who demanded that the child receive a *haredi* education. Moreover, her parents, members of *the same sect*, pressed her to take this step, and she realized the objective difficulties of a young woman in her position, without the support of a husband or other person in bringing up a child.

Thus she left the hospital without her child the day after he was born, leaving a farewell letter for him in which she explained the difficulties with which she was faced, and that it was for his own good that she had decided as she did. The child was then handed over to an adoptive family, who were bringing him up as an only child with devotion and love.

The respondent thereafter changed her mind, as the District Court found, genuinely and honestly. This change was induced partly by a change in the feelings of her parents, who were now prepared to assist her in raising the child. She was *about to complete her studies*, had secured part-time employment, and had leased a two-roomed apartment in which she wished to live with her son.

She was now able to make her own way with her own resources. The identity of the child's father was not known to the court, and there was little fear of any interference on his part. A further fact to be considered, which had only been disclosed after *the District Court had given judgement*, but which the parties had agreed to bring before the court, was that the child was deaf. The respondent had contracted measles in her *second month of pregnancy, which* she had not mentioned to anyone, resulting in the child's deafness and the possibility of heart disease and mental retardation in the future. This fact, however, had not weakened the respondent's desire to regain her child, nor the wish and readiness of the adoptive family to retain him.

THE PRESENT CASE, Justice Barak continued, was governed by section 10 of the Adoption of Children Law of 1981 which provides *that "On the application of a parent,* the court may invalidate his consent (to adoption) given before the birth of the adoptee or obtained by improper means, and it may, for special *reasons which shall be recorded,* permit a parent to withdraw his consent so long as the (final) adoption order has not been made.

This section gives no indication of what the "special reasons" are, but section 1(b) of the Adoption of Children Law provides that "An adoption order and any other decision under this Law, shall be made if the court is satisfied that they are in the best interests of the adoptee." But *the question is what are the* "best interests of the adoptee"? And there is also the question of the relationship between the interests of the child and those of its natural parents.

The starting point must be that the natural family is the basic unit of society. Parents also have rights, and not only obligations. The parents have the right to fulfil their obligations towards their children. Their emotional bond with their children is one of their most treasured possessions, and it is fully recognized by law.

The state is not entitled to take children away from their parents *only because* "the best interests of the children" so demand. Even "bad" parents are entitled to rear their children, and the tendency must be to preserve the unity of the *family. In order to justify disrupting* the autonomy and privacy of the family unit and removing a child from its natural parents, some special and exceptional ground must be shown. The welfare of the child alone is not sufficient. It is for this reason that many child victims of the Holocaust were reunited with their parents who refused to give them for adoption. Where, however, some other legal ground for so doing does exist, the welfare of the child becomes the central element in deciding where the child should be placed.

The legal grounds for removing a child from its parents are found in many laws such as the Youth (Care and Supervision) Law of 1960, the Legal Capacity and Guardianship Law of 1962, and also the Adoption of Children Law. Under section 13 of that Law the court may declare a child adoptable on the application of the Attorney-General on various *grounds such as, for example, that* the parents have abandoned the child. A special ground for intervention by the authorities is where parents have consented to the adoption.

Such consent in itself does not abolish the rights of the natural parents toward their child, which terminate only with the making of the final order of adoption. However, such consent affects the order of priorities of the various elements involved, for once it is given, the principal factor to be considered by the court is the welfare of the child, the rights of the parents now taking *second place.*

In considering, therefore, whether to permit a parent to withdraw his or her consent, the court must consider, firstly, the interests of the child, and then the interests of the natural parents. It must also weigh the interests of the adoptive parents, though the rights of the natural parents will be preferred, provided there is no difference as far as the welfare of the child is concerned.

"The best interests of the child" should be weighed on the basis of the *facts of each particular case.* Justice Barak said, and not on the basis of generalities. The court must judge what will be best for the child – its return to its parents if leave is given to withdraw the consent to adoption, or its remaining with the adoptive family. The choice is hard, based as it is on predictions as to future events about which little can be known at the time. Thus, the authority Mnookin has said that: "The determination of what is 'best' or 'least' detrimental for a particular child is usually indeterminate and speculative. For most custody cases, existing psychological theories simply do not *yield confident predictions of the* effects of alternative custody dispositions. Moreover, even if accurate predictions were possible in most cases, our society today lacks *any clear-cut consensus about the* values to be used in determining what is 'best' or 'least detrimental.' "

HOW CAN one gauge the dam*age to the child if he is to be removed* from his adoptive parents, and what will be the damage in severing his links with his mother, and his growing up as an adoptee? There are *those who hold that these are not* really legal questions to be decided by judges, but until guidelines are laid down by the legislature itself, the court has no option but to weigh the alternatives by what it regards as the most appropriate considerations under the Adoption Law. Some authorities believe that, "In the long run, the child's chances will be better if the law is less pretentious and ambitious in its aim, that is, if it confines itself to the avoidance of harm and acts in account with a few, even if modest, generally applicable short-term predictions."

Justice Barak did not accept this opinion, for an adoption order affects the child for the rest of his or her life, although the weight to be attached to short-term predictions is naturally greater than that relating to the remote future. The welfare of the child embraces not only his material but also his emotional well-being, and the situation must be judged taking into account both these elements jointly.

It must be presumed that a child is better off with his natural parents *than with strangers*, Justice Barak continued. On the other hand, an important factor in a child's life is continuity, and it has been said that: "Empirical research by child develop*ment specialists indicates that* revocation of consent after a child has been placed with adoptive parents is rarely in the child's best interests. If an infant or young child is uprooted *from adoptive parents with whom he* or she has formed a parental attachment and is returned to a biological parent whom the child now regards as a stranger, permanent psychological damage may result."

Moreover, the longer the child is with his adoptive parents, the greater the damage if he is taken from them. What is a short period of time for an adult may seem to a young child like eternity.

Another point to be considered is that it is preferable to act on the basis of certainty than on assumption. Thus if the removal of the child from his adoptive parents will certainly cause him damage, while the benefit he will derive from being returned to his natural parents is only speculative, he should remain where he is. Justice Barak then reviewed several precedents of the Supreme Court illustrating the application of these *principles.*

JUSTICE BARAK then considered the scope of the "special reasons" required by section 10 of the Adoption Law for the withdrawal of the consent to adoption. The court must strike a balance between two demands of judicial policy. On the one hand there was the basic right of a child's natural parents and the necessity for upholding this right. On *the other hand, there was the im*portance of encouraging adoptions and strengthening the willingness of adoptive parents to undertake the responsibilities involved. This willingness *would be seriously impaired* if the natural parents would be permitted to withdraw their consent whenever they pleased.

It was true that adoptive parents have no legal rights until a final adoption order is made, but account must be taken of the enormous emotional damage they would suffer if the child is taken from them. The desire of parents to withdraw their consent is in itself certainly not a "special reason." What is required is a change of circumstances, such as *the marriage of the parents if the* mother was unmarried, or a change in their economic situation, or in the attitude of their parents. It must be a serious and meaningful change, re*lating to the facts of each particular* case.

Justice Barak then analysed the facts of the present case as before the District Court, and concluded that *the best interests of the child demand*ed that he remain with his adoptive parents. The damage he would suffer if removed from them was serious, clear and immediate, and *would also last into the future.*

As against this, the advantages he would gain from being returned to his mother were dubious, for there was serious doubt whether, because of her own lack of maturity and the problems she would face, she would be able to bring him up adequately.

His conclusion was strengthened by the subsequent revelation of the child's deafness. This feature would impose upon those concerned an additional continuous and heavy burden. According to the experts, the respondent did not fully appreciate the difficulties she would face, and they were of the opinion that removing the child now from his adoptive parents would cause serious damage to his physical and emotional development.

For the above reasons, Judge Barak proposed that the appeal be allowed. He realized, he said, that this decision would be a serious blow to the respondent. She should, however, find comfort in the knowledge that her consent to the adoption was a brave act in the best interests of her child, and that it was for this very reason that the court now decided as it did.

JUSTICE Eliezer Goldberg agreed with Justice Barak. He would have hesitated, he said, to have interfered with the decision of the District Court, given after the child had been with its adoptive parents for only six months, were it not for the fact of the child's deafness, which had subsequently emerged. Although the whole case had to be judged on the basis of imponderables, it was not difficult to imagine the problems the respondent would face in bringing up a deaf child alone.

This task would impose upon her *an almost unbearable emotional* strain, and for the child her failure would be a tragedy. She had been described as weak and immature, and there was therefore a real fear *that she would not be able to bear* that burden. It was therefore in the child's interests that he should remain with his adoptive parents.

The President concurred with his colleagues. It was not enough, he said, for the purposes of section 10 of the Adoption Law, that a parent should change her mind. There had to be special reasons which, in the opinion of the court, were sufficient. The legislature, however, had not indicated what changed an "ordinary reason" into a "special reason" for this purpose. In some instances, such as in section 58 of the Penal Law of 1977 or section 63 of the Transport *Ordinance (New Version)*, the normally unfettered discretion of the court was limited by the requirement that it record "the reasons" for its decision.

In other cases, such as in section 10 or in Rule 415 of the Civil Procedure Rules of 1963, the discretion was made even narrower by the requirement of "special reasons" for the decision, which have to be recorded. Since the Law says no more *than this, the only inference is that* "reasonable grounds", acceptable in ordinary circumstances, are not sufficient. There must be particularly weighty considerations that clearly justify the withdrawal of the consent. This means, he said, that there *must be a meaningful change of* circumstances such as that the child has not yet been fully integrated into the adoptive family, or that the mother has married and her husband *is willing to share her responsibility.*

Justice Shamgar agreed with Justice Barak in regard to the close and loving relationship between the child and its adoptive family. Nevertheless, he said, he would have hesitated to take the cruel and harsh decision of separating a mother from her son. After anxious consideration, however, he had agreed to do so mainly for the reason relied upon by Justice Goldberg, namely, the *present state of health of the child* and the special treatment and conditions which he now requires.

There was grave doubt whether a single young woman, who would sooner or later have to support herself and overcome her own problems alone, would be able to cope with such a burden. She was undoubtedly willing to do so, but the difficulties she will encounter, in addition to the attachment formed by the child to his adoptive family, the emotional crisis he will face, and his physical limitations, all weigh the scale in favour of his remaining with his adoptive family, while what remains on the other side cannot create "special reasons" that would justify a special decision.

For the above reasons, the appeal was allowed.

Dr. Yosef Ben-Or, Senior Assistant State Attorney, appeared for the Attorney-General, and Advocate Bert Arwas for the respondent.

The judgement was given on March 6, 1984.

Distinguished diplomat

WHEN Nathan Bar-Yaacov died in Jerusalem last month, Israel lost a distinguished diplomat and public servant; a staunch advocate of the Histadrut and a missionary of its ideals to its counterparts in the United States and other countries.

I, a friend and colleague of his, both in the labour movement and in diplomacy, lost a friend of long standing. He exemplified the best tradition of Israel's founding fathers.

Nathan Bar-Yaacov and I first met in 1949. I was then legal counsel for the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO); he was the executive director of the Histadrut's international department. Before making aliyah, Nat Jackson – his name in his native Scotland – was an active member of the British Labour Party, and an important functionary in the activities of the Zionist Movement and the British branch of the Poale Zion. There was a nexus between his two activities – a commitment to social and economic justice in Britain, Israel, and other nations.

Nathan Bar-Yaacov made several trips to the U.S. Because of his background and personality, he was an ideal representative of the Israeli labour movement. His winning personality and wholehearted commitment to the improvement of the lot of working people in Israel, the U.S. and elsewhere won him many friends *in America* and the international community.

In 1956 he was appointed labour attache at the Israel Embassy in Washington. This was the beginning of his formal diplomatic career.

As a former U.S. secretary of labour, I can bear witness that Bar-Yaacov was an extraordinarily effective labour attaché, accepted as a colleague by the American labour movement and as an expert in labour *management matters by my govern*ment. He was invited to speak to innumerable labour conventions and was received by the AFL-CIO and its international labour unions as a respected, knowledgeable and trusted friend.

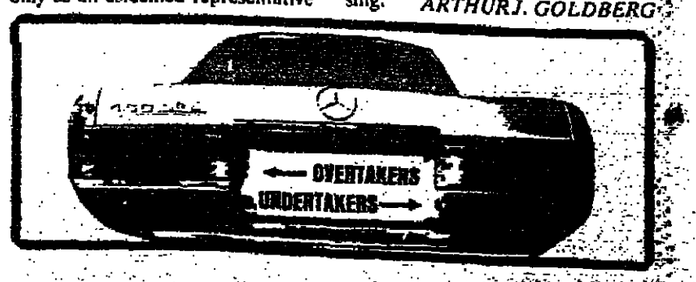
I recall that the late George Meany, president of the AFL-CIO, expressed regret when Nat Bar-Yaacov was recalled to Israel to occupy important posts in the Foreign Ministry. Meany told me that he could not conceive of an Israel labour attaché more qualified, committed and acceptable than Bar-Yaacov.

During an official visit to Scandinavia in the late 60s, when Nathan Bar-Yaacov was serving as Israel's ambassador to Norway and Iceland, I learned that he was welcomed by *Norway's Labour government not* only as an esteemed representative of his country but also as a long-time friend and colleague.

After completing this mission, he served the Israel government in other important diplomatic and labour posts – delegate to the ILO, UNESCO, the World Health Organization and other international bodies where he won praise and commendation from many countries, including some without diplomatic relations with Israel.

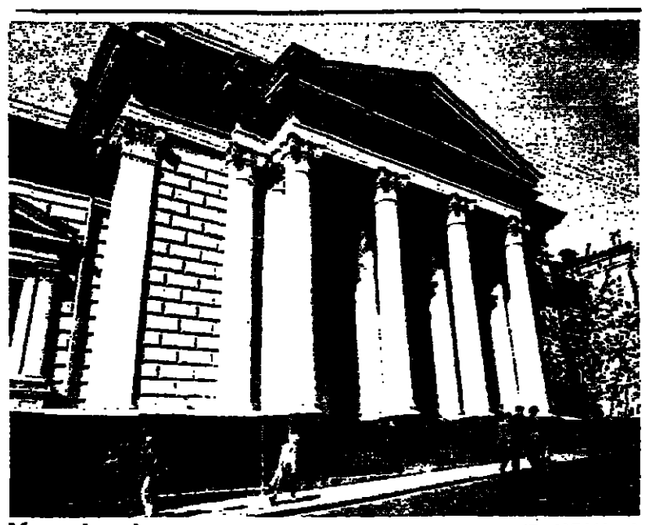
Unfortunately, these strenuous assignments, both for the Histadrut and for the government of Israel, exacted a heavy toll and undoubtedly contributed to his untimely death.

We are all diminished by his passing. *ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG*



ROW OVER RABBI

By WALTER RUBY/Post New York Correspondent



Moscow's main synagogue. (David Frishberg)

A MAJOR storm has blown up in the American Jewish community over the visit to this country of the rabbi of Moscow's main synagogue.

Dov Aharoni Fisch, director of Herut-America, last week accused Rabbi Arthur Schneier, the chairman of the World Jewish Congress-American Section of "outrageous and criminal behaviour," for inviting Moscow's chief rabbi, Adolf Shayevich, to the WJC and for refusing to allow him to be asked questions that Schneier considered too provocative.

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith (ADL) released a statement on the visit, which said: "Sadly, Rabbi Shayevich is not free to speak either for the Russian Jewish community or even for himself."

Shayevich, spiritual leader of Moscow's Choral Synagogue, was in New York with 20 other visiting prelates and religious dignitaries from the Soviet Union on a three-week tour of the U.S. sponsored by the National Council of Churches.

Schneier, an Orthodox rabbi in Manhattan, and president of the Appeal for Conscience Foundation, an interfaith group which promotes contacts with religious leaders behind the iron curtain, has made numerous trips to the Soviet Union and East European countries.

According to him, it was his *intervention with the Soviet authorities* that won the right for Shayevich, 48, an electrician from Birobidzhan in Siberia, to attend a rabbinical seminary in Budapest. Shayevich was ordained by the Hungarian synagogue in 1980, and became the spiritual leader of Moscow's Choral Synagogue on the death of Rabbi Yakov Fishman last year.

THE STORM that blew up last week began at a luncheon of the Appeal for Conscience Foundation hosted by Schneier.

In response to a question from the London *Jewish Chronicle* reporter, Shayevich said that the recent Solidarity Sunday march for Soviet Jewry was "an anti-Soviet event, and not a pro-Jewish one." He added, "This event will have no effect whatsoever on the Soviet government, or the situation of Jews in the Soviet Union." Shayevich also said that the Soviet government "puts no barriers whatsoever" in the way of Jewish religious observance.

After leaving the luncheon, Shayevich and Schneier went to the closed-doors meeting of the WJC-American Section, where Shayevich made a 20-minute speech on the condition of Soviet Jewry.

According to sources at the meeting, he said that despite rampant assimilation, a growing number of young Jews are returning to Judaism, and the Soviet government is allowing this to happen. He asserted that the Choral Synagogue publishes Hebrew religious books which are freely distributed to Jewish communities throughout the USSR.

Asked whether it was true that 200,000-400,000 Jews have been denied permission to leave the Soviet Union, Shayevich reportedly said the figure was grossly exaggerated.

ACCORDING TO Herut's Dov Fisch, "in his introduction of Shayevich to the WJC group, Schneier praised the Soviet government for allowing Shayevich to come here, and thanked the Soviets for their supposed help to the U.S. government in tracking down Nazi war criminals in Russia. Many at the meeting were embarrassed by Schneier's fawning and knee-bending attitude to the Soviet Union.

Fisch said that Schneier then refused to allow a question from one WJC member to Shayevich about Solidarity Sunday, calling the question inappropriate. "So," the Herut representative went on, "I got up and said to Schneier and those assembled that I considered it an outrageous display on his part to parade this man before us to spout the Soviet line on the day after Solidarity Sunday. I said that I did not hold Shayevich himself responsible for this really criminal act towards the Soviet Jewry movement, since Shayevich is obviously not free to speak his true feelings. The man responsible for this outrage is Schneier himself."

Schneier refused to comment on the affair, on the grounds that he did not want to say anything that might jeopardize Shayevich or future contacts with Jews in the Soviet Union.

HOWEVER, David Geller, the JDC's director of European affairs said, "I felt that what Fisch said was out of place. I think everyone at the meeting understood that Shayevich would only say what he is allowed to say. Despite the limitations, though, I think it is better to have a Moscow synagogue and a rabbi to serve it than to have no rabbi or synagogue at all." Geller added, "I believe that while we need public demonstrations against the Soviet government's treatment of Jews, we also need someone like Schneier, who has been able to achieve things beneficial for Soviet Jews by working quietly behind the scenes."

Jerry Goodman, executive director of the National Council on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ) commented, "I think Fisch is taking an extreme position. It is wrong to say that Schneier's role was criminal.

According to Goodman, Shayevich last year applied to the Soviet authorities for permission to have Hebrew religious books delivered to Anatoly Shcharansky in prison in Siberia. "The authorities turned down the request, but it says something for Shayevich that he had the courage to make the request at all..."

The rabbi's visit to the U.S., said Goodman, "is a sticky situation, but I believe we should show a little mercy. Of course, Shayevich is not able to speak freely, but it is clear that he wants Jewish life in the Soviet Union to go on, and so do we."

In the statement he issued for the ADL, Dr. Ronald Sobel, chairman of its Intergroup Relations Committee, commented that Shayevich's remarks on the Soviet Jewry rally "simply demonstrate the constraints upon him. How can this man possibly represent the Shcharanskys, Nudels, and the tens of thousands of Russian Jews forcibly prevented from achieving...emigration to Israel...? It is essential to understand that Shayevich holds his rabbinical position by grace of the Soviet government."

Youth and age

RADIO/Helga Dudman

AT AROUND 7.07 a.m., as many people know, Alex Ansky's *707* on the Army Channel provides an easy-to-take rundown of the morning papers. In direct competition with the Second Channel's *Morning News Magazine*, Ansky provides some soothing extra dimensions, with no real loss of coverage of the latest front-page developments. There is the comforting presence of his voice as it roams the world with an occasional chuckle but, so far as I can notice, practically never a vocal sneer, no matter how preposterous the world gets.

I don't know how he manages this daily cheerfulness and I don't know when he gets up to begin to prepare for the programme. But for sheer morning jauntiness I think this performance beats the average marital breakfast-table – assuming spouses do sit down together before the start of the morning round.

The advantages over the regular news magazine are several. First, the cheerfulness, as contrasted with the stern voice of even-handedness. Then, you don't really *hear* the news, much less see it, so you are spared the nuances of this or that nervous minister, and the complete description of the crime from the police reporter. You get a pleasantly processed selection, and an overall glance at more morning papers than anyone could ever read. There are no ads – this is the army – and the musical interludes are less intrusive than elsewhere.

Ansky's eye is always caught by the little off-beat "featurettes" (and who wouldn't be after a daily diet of hard news?). These are, anyway, the stories that people remember and tell each other during the rest of the day ("Did you hear about that 102-year-old woman in Paraguay who married a 6-year-old boy?").

Thus, on a recent morning, there was one memorable "good news" item about a very positive project developed by the postmen of Holon; instead of just delivering the mail, they make a point of saying "Hello, is everything all right?" when they drop the bills at the homes of elderly people living alone, who may be in trouble unknown to anyone. This is a wonderful idea and all post offices might learn from Holon.

But still: I don't want to be difficult, but the degree to which we are cheered by such an item raises a large question about our view of human nature. Journalists are always being told to hunt for the good and not always for the bad, as though the latter were not the easier job. But if we consider "bad news" as newsworthy, we are assuming that the world is really a fine place and this or that development only an aberration worthy of note; while if we throw up our hats and sing songs of joy at some piece of "good news," we assume that people are pigs, and that any digression from expected piggish behaviour deserves a box on the front page.

ANOTHER LITTLE item that same day gave us a non-news piece of medical research: fat men, somebody somewhere proved, are more prone to heart attacks than other. Or was it strokes? And as Ansky pointed out, the Israeli paunch is really something. And our private internal television screens featured the last picture we saw on the beach.

Then there was the announcement about the new "Creative Arts" school opening in Tel Aviv, to teach drama, music, sculpture, painting and creative writing. A sort of *Fame* high school? Not at all: Tel Aviv does things more basically and will start at first grade. Ansky kept his usual cool on this one, though he was bemused enough to repeat it a day later, and did permit himself to say, "Well, so if you have a little Picasso in the house..." On the second occasion, noting that free transportation will be provided to the central Tel Aviv location, he added a vaguely outraged, "Yes, even that..."

Here the listener, provoked beyond endurance by such well-meaning nonsense, is free to shout back his reactions: "For heaven's sake! Why don't you expert boobs do something about the regular schools, whose academic level assumes that children's capacities are about half of what they really are?" The "Gifted Child" industry provides a marvellous ego-trip for parents, who gain the right to make noises about their "gifted children." All children are gifted; whatever precise meaning this pretty term may have. Its part of being human, although the average healthy two-month old kitten has more intellectual curiosity than the average product of the Israeli elementary school system. (They tend to be fine through third grade: then they are turned off by many things and most God-given gifts deadened for good.) Aldous Huxley once said that all children are geniuses up to *the age of 14, but after that, only* one in a million: his figure of 14 applied to England, where they mature more slowly, and besides, that was a slower era.

There are, to be sure, a few very exceptional children, mostly in the fields of mathematics and music. (In painting, who is to say? Nobody has a clue about the paintings of grown-ups.) But these really extraordinary tots are not the ones whose mothers are going to drag them for enrolment at the new school; and that's a crowd of mothers I should not like to mingle with.

The widespread dislike of school is encouraged on all sides, and the media are far from blameless. Note that dreadful posed photograph we get every year in every paper, showing some crowd of kids "spontaneously" throwing their school *bags into the air to celebrate the end* of term.

WELL. The *707* listener, having fumed at such length, runs the risk of missing the next item. But I did catch another educational item that morning, one from England reported in the local press, to the effect that an expert has found that to increase a baby's intelligence (this does seem to be the rage) you should not talk baby-talk but give him reasonable messages, and that "infants are anxious to learn." The classic Israeli reaction to the fact that children are ready and eager for far more than is expected of them goes, "Oh, but let them enjoy their childhood for as long as possible." But with all the whimpering and whining and fighting and resentment that goes on – are they really so aflame with enjoyment?

I DON'T KNOW how many schools use the First Channel's School Broadcasts at 11.10 every morning. Most Israeli institutions have TV and video; perhaps it comes into its own in the Arab school network. This programme is a rather mixed bag.

One morning recently I heard an unimpressive effort for Jerusalem Day, about a girl born in Argentina who was brought to Jerusalem and then moved to Beirut to be with her business-man husband, where she was active on behalf of the Jewish community and Israel and eventually imprisoned. A child curious about such things might wonder why business comes before Zionism; but then, her father told her, "You must follow your husband; that's what wives do." The interspersed songs were Yaffa Yarkoni to *Jerusalem of Gold*. All right for the aged, I suppose, but hardly sophisticated enough for the young.

On another morning, there was a nice little playlet (by Tova Herschkowitz) about two bright kids, Michal and Shlomo, which had plenty of positive elements. A book was being read; there was Jewish history, ethnic integration, archaeology, and the triumph of an ancient site over a new building construction. And it wasn't even a cemetery – just a prehistoric house!

Immediately following this, on *Education for All* (still on Channel One) came a discussion of the complex social problems of the aged – demography, health, housing, leisure, and all the rest. In other words, what awaits Michal and Shlomo in another 50 or 60 years. Only one thing is certain: if they learn how to learn, and think, and see, and imagine right now, they won't have any trouble with their "leisure" in the year 2034.

BACK TO *707*. On the day of the second reference to art school for first grade, Ansky read a hard-hitting piece by Silvie Keshet on the government's refusal to channel funds for essential services for the bed-ridden aged. They can't vote, after all. Then came a story on the rise of violence against children, and the rise in pornographic films *here using children as objects. Such* a film has even been produced here locally – Blue and White blue – involving a six-month-old infant. And they talk about "Arab Mentality."

The message at its best

ISRAEL FESTIVAL '84

BRANDIS QUARTET, with Wolfram Christ, viola (Jerusalem Theatre, May 28). Beethoven: Quartet opus 18, No. 3 in D Major; Mozart: String Quintet, K.515 in C Major; Schubert: Quartet in D minor, D.810.

THE MOST positive impression made by the Brandis Quartet as a highly professional chamber ensemble was deepened in their second programme. A unanimity of intentions led to harmonious teamwork and elastic movement, so that even a certain underplaying of the dramatic was acceptable.

The works chosen represent some of the best music for this medium and provided unalloyed pleasure for the overflow audience. Beethoven's third quartet, though somewhat still showing Haydn's influence, indicates the great steps the young master had already taken in the six quartets of opus 18 towards his own individual language. Mozart's Quintet is a marvel of invention in its extended form and harmonic surprises, as well as its natural handling of counterpoint and capricious deviations in the flow of musical material. In the original score, the Menuet comes after the first movement and is then followed by the Andante. It is not quite clear why the ensemble chose to change the order even if this arrangement of the movements appears only in K.515 and K.516.

Wolfram Christ, the additional artist (on the first viola), proved a valuable asset, mastering his demanding part with technical fluency and adding beautiful tone and appropriate volume to the foursome's collective sonorities.

After the deep impact of this wonderful work, Schubert's thoughts about death, struggle and resignation, were nearly too much for intensive listening. Perhaps, therefore, it was good that the Brandis Quartet does not go in for emotional expression and dramatic exploitation of the works under their fingers, rather disciplining themselves to controlled performances which, however, never fail to convey the musical message at its best.

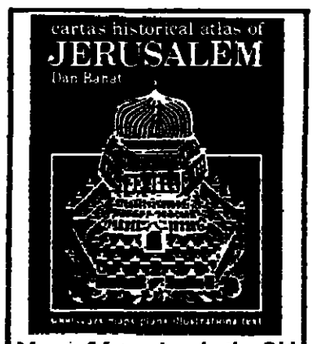
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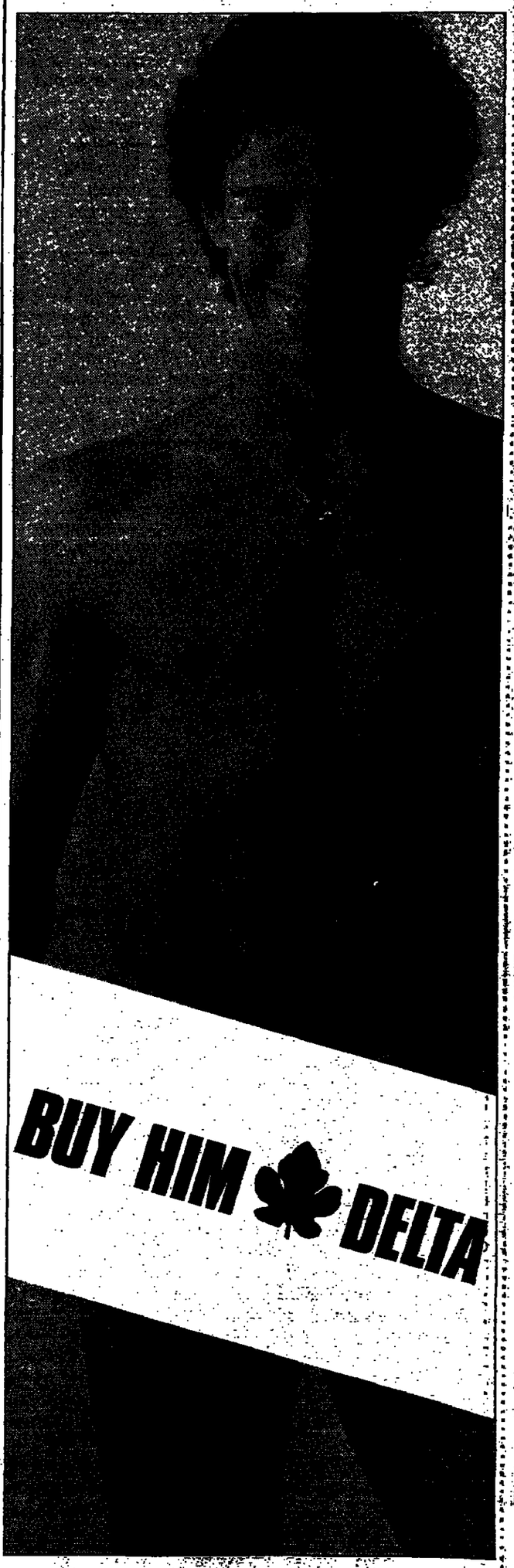
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Dollar boosted by economics and politics

By PINHAS LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The rise in dollar interest rates, the escalation of fighting in the Gulf War and the near-collapse of the Continental Illinois Bank in the U.S. were just some of the factors that produced unusual turbulence on the foreign exchange markets in the last month.

The cross-currents produced by these and other conflicting influences pushed the major international trading currencies in different directions from day to day, but the major feature of recent weeks has been the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against all the other currencies.

This strength reflects the fundamental economic factors that are pushing up the dollar: Higher interest rates, which attract foreign depositors, strong economic growth rates, relatively low inflation and an energy economy hardly reliant on imports from the warring countries in the Persian Gulf.

The future direction of U.S. interest rates provoked disagreement amongst analysts but it was the pessimists, who were proven right in their predictions of rising short and long-term rates, as the strong economy in the U.S. gave rise to sharply increased borrowing requirements on the part of corporations. This while the government continued with its huge borrowing programme to cover the massive Federal deficit. The "guru" of the American capital markets, Salomon Brothers' chief economist Henry Kaufman, is predicting that rates will continue to rise, with Federal Funds reaching 12 per cent in late 1984, and the yield on 30-year government bonds rising to 15 per cent.

The state of the economy is also far from clear to American economists. The plethora of economic statistics released by the government paint a confused picture, as some figures show the economy growing strongly, while others suggest it is beginning to cool off. Against this background, the Federal Reserve is continuing with a policy of fairly tight money to guard against the possibility of a resurgence in inflation – despite the political difficulties inherent in such a course in an election year.

It is precisely this mix of high interest rates, low inflation and a firm monetary policy that makes the dollar so attractive as an investment.

Over and above the established rationale for preferring the dollar, negative factors appeared on the scene to weaken other currencies. Foremost amongst these was the deteriorating situation in the war between Iran and Iraq, with the concomitant threat to oil supplies from the belligerents.

Worst affected by these developments was the Japanese yen, given the relatively high percentage of oil imports Japan receives from that area.

However, the announcement by the Japanese government of a package of financial reforms – the result of prolonged American pressure – designed to increase the use of the yen in the financial markets, served to bolster that currency.

Domestic economic problems sent the European currencies down sharply against the American unit. Strikes in crucial sectors of the economy in Germany and France, and renewed pessimism as to future economic growth in Britain caused considerable weakness in those countries' currencies. The French franc was also negatively affected by the Gulf war, while the same factor took some of the pressure off the sterling, since Britain is a net oil exporter and will benefit from supply difficulties in the Gulf.

The rescue of the eighth largest bank in America, the Continental Illinois of Chicago, had more impact on the share and bond markets than on the currency markets, but its influence was, perhaps surprisingly, positive on the dollar. This is because the near-collapse of Continental, although apparently due to that bank's bad management in its domestic loan policy, uncovered the underlying fears of a major, worldwide banking crisis. Such a crisis could be sparked by one or more of the big South American debtors defaulting on their loan payments to the international banking community.

In such an eventuality, it is commonly believed, the U.S. economy would be least badly affected by a consequent collapse of international trade, as it is the nearest to self-sufficiency. A "flight to quality" in the wake of a run on the banks would therefore tend to draw money into dollars and weaken non-dollar currencies.

What can we expect in the coming weeks?

Harvey Schneider, senior financial consultant at Shearson Clal Investment House, the biggest private commodity and securities trading firm in Israel, believes that the dollar will weaken in the short-term. While pessimistic as to the outcome of the major crisis in confidence he sees developing in the banking system, Schneider predicts that the Administration and the Federal Reserve will move to ease monetary conditions in the U.S. and push interest rates down. This course will be dictated as much by fear of the international repercussions of higher interest rates on the debtor countries as by domestic considerations in the run-up to the November elections.

The main beneficiaries of a weaker dollar, in Schneider's opinion, will be the Deutsche mark and the Swiss franc, with the yen rising against the dollar but falling in relation to these European currencies. The weakest of the main currencies will remain the French franc and the British sterling, with the latter falling irregularly over time to a possible downside target, at this stage, of $1.25/£.

Zim's Yehuda Rotem to retire; Yitzhak Rahav the new head

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. – Zim general manager Yehuda Rotem has asked the Israel Corporation to approve his retirement this autumn, when he will reach the age of 65.

The Jerusalem Post has learned that the Israel Corporation, which holds 50 per cent of Zim's shares and is entitled to recommend a candidate for the position, subject to the approval of the government (40 per cent) and the Histadrut (10 per cent), has offered the post to Yitzhak Rahav, the current head of the Ports Authority. Rahav, who is 58, has served in the post for eight years and is scheduled to leave it.

Rotem, who was appointed general manager of Zim ten years ago, had earlier managed the Kibbutz Meuhad shipping company Tarshish. He is a member of Kibbutz Sdot Yam and intends to return there.

The Zim spokesman told reporters yesterday that Rotem had wanted to retire two years ago, but had acceded to a request by the Israel Corporation not to leave the company at that particular time. The shipping industry worldwide was then in a deep slump which continues to this day.

Rotem repeated his request to retire four months ago, but the matter was put on ice then, since the Israel Corporation's ownership changed hands, with the Eisenberg group taking over a majority interest.

This week the Israel Corporation elected its new board, with Shoul Eisenberg as chairman, whereupon Rotem again asked to be replaced. Rotem thinks that after ten years in the post this is the right time to appoint a new general manager who will be able to contend with the company's difficulties and prepare long-term plans.

Rotem was appointed following the sudden death of the previous general manager, Moshe Kashti. During his term he was instrumental in the expansion of the firm's Three Continents container line. He introduced large-scale modernisation of its fleet and above all he successfully confronted the seamen's unions, which previously had virtually run the company.

His determined stand unaided by official backing, in two big strikes in 1977 and 1978, put the situation back to normal, with the management taking over the running of the company and the seamen operating their ships.

Since then Zim and the entire merchant marine have enjoyed almost uninterrupted labour peace.

EEC inflation at 5-year low

LUXEMBOURG (Reuter) – Inflation in the European Community was running at a five-year low of 7.7 per cent a year at the end of April, the Community Statistics office Eurostat said yesterday.

In comparison, the cost of living rose 7.9 per cent in the 12-month period ending in March and 8.7 per cent in the year ending in April 1983, Eurostat said.

The April figure was achieved despite high-running monthly consumer price rises in Britain and Greece, which boosted the bloc average to 0.8 per cent from 0.6 per cent the previous month, it said.

Higher taxes on tobacco and alcohol in Britain boosted the cost of living by 1.3 per cent in a month, to an annual 5.2 per cent, after an 0.3 per cent rise in March. Inflation in Greece continued to soar at an annual 17.1 per cent rate, the highest in the entire bloc, after a 1.9 per cent increase in April.

West Germany and The Netherlands continued to show most success in their fight against consumer price rises, with annual inflation rates of 3.2 per cent and 3.5 per cent, respectively.

Eurostat gave the following annual percentage inflation rates in April: West Germany 3.2; Netherlands 3.5; Britain 5.2; Denmark 6.6; Belgium 7.5; France 7.8; Ireland 10.2; Italy 11.5 and Greece 17.1.

FUJAIRAH An Australian company has been awarded a concession to explore for oil on a 309,000-acre block in the nothern offshore area of the Gulf Emirate of Fujairah.

Dun & Bradstreet list of 'Leading 100 Industries'

Sales down sharply, but exports up

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The country's 100 leading industrial enterprises saw their total sales fall sharply in 1983, but their exports grew considerably, according to David Bondi, general manager of Dun & Bradstreet (Israel), which yesterday published its annual listing of Israel's "Leading 100 Industrial Enterprises." Much of the information was gathered and collated by Carol Weinstock, the firm's director of marketing.

Bondi noted that total sales fell by 19.2 per cent in 1983, to stand at IS461,614 million. This is a growth in nominal terms of only 154 per cent, while the cost-of-living index rose last year by 190.7 per cent. Total sales of these same 100 companies in 1982 also fell, but by only 10 per cent compared to 1981.

As for exports, the increase was 9 per cent, to $2.34 billion (compared to a one per cent drop in 1982). Exports constituted 35.6 per cent of the total sales of these companies in 1983, compared to only 31.8 per cent in 1982.

Bondi noted that "calculating local production in shekels was in many ways unsatisfactory due to inflation." Next year Dun & Bradstreet plans to give all its figures in dollars.

The fastest-growing export branch was electric and electronic goods, whose exports grew by 24 per cent to stand at $537m. Chemicals continued to be the largest branch, totalling $777m., a 4 per cent growth over 1982.

The first ten companies in sales last year were:

1. Israel Aircraft Industries, IS57,000m.; 2. Tadiran Electronics, IS28,665m.; 3. Tnuva Food, IS20,000m.; 4. Oil Refineries, IS14,454m; 5. Dead Sea Works, IS14,411m.; 6. Polgat (textiles), IS10,500m. (Polgat was in eighth place in 1982); 7. Soltam, IS10,309m. (Soltam was in tenth place in 1982 and in 16th place in 1981); 8. Negev Phosphates, IS9,851m.; 9. Automotive Equipment, IS8,614m, and 10. Nesher Cement IS8,550m. (in seventh place in 1982).



David Bondi

The ten leading exporters were:

1. Israel Aircraft, $320m.; Dead Sea Works, $222m.; Tadiran, $197m.; Negev Phosphates, $126m.; Elscint, $96m.; Soltam, $91m.; Polgat, $81m.; Scitex, $70m.; Haifa Chemicals, $63m. and Makhteshim, $60m.

The ten leaders in sales growth were:

Five Jewellers, with sales of IS1,553m., an increase of 665 per cent; Tempo Beer, sales, IS3,375m., growth, 549 per cent; Naknik Naharlya, sales IS2,500m., growth, 421 per cent; The Prize Growers (a food company), sales IS1,350m., growth, 320 per cent; Kulso (electronics), sales IS932m., growth, 328 per cent; Off Jerusalem (foods), sales, IS2,000m., growth 321 per cent; Telkoor Electronics, IS1,260m., growth 304 per cent; El-Op Electro-optics, sales IS3,402m., growth, 298 per cent; Nilit (textiles), sales, 2,801m., growth 297 per cent and Laser Industries, sales IS891m., growth 287 per cent.

All percentages above are in nominal figures, and the 190.7 per cent rise in the index must be taken into account.

In the above list four companies are not among the 100 largest companies, but in a supplementary list of the "runners-up" of an additional 85 companies. Thus, The Prize Growers Company is ranked in 108th place, Kulso in 141th, Telkoor in 118th and Laser Industries, in 144th place.

The largest bank is listed as Leumi, with total assets of IS2,309,300m., a growth of 211 per cent, followed by Hapoalim, with assets of IS2,100,653m, a growth of 180 per cent.

The largest mortgage bank is Tefahot, with assets of IS105,537,870m., a growth of 216 per cent, followed by Leumi Mortgage, with assets of IS73,155,864m., a growth of 260 per cent.

Among insurance companies Hassneh had a premium income of IS21,067m., a growth of 198 per cent, followed by Migdal, with a premium income of IS7,205m. and a growth of 188 per cent.

The largest diamond exporter was Moshe Schnitzer Corp., with exports of $36m., a growth of 9 per cent. He was followed by I.D.T.C. Israel Diamond Trading Corp., with exports of $34m. and a growth of 100 per cent.

Israel has favourable ratio of scientists

EILAT. – Israel's complement of 5,000 scientists compares favourably with France's 22,000, when one considers that France's population is 12 times that of Israel, Science and Development Minister Yuval Ne'eman said on Sunday night.

Ne'eman was speaking to members of the Tenth Israel Bond European Conference at the Eilat Avia Sonesta Hotel.

The 160-man delegation is to be received at Beit Hanassi tomorrow afternoon by President Chaim Herzog. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir will later address the delegation at the official conference opening dinner at the Knesset.

WHAT'S ON

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Jerusalem

MUSEUMS

Israel Museum. Opening Exhibitions: How to Wrap Five Eggs: Traditional Japanese Packaging (29.5 at 8); The Well-Built Elephant: Popular American Architecture (29.5 at 8). **Continuing Exhibitions:** Joan Miro: Sculptures; Marc Chagall: Book Illustrations; Eighty Years of Sculpture in Israel; Window to Islam: Islamic culture, religion, science and court life; A Gallery of the Roman Period: new finds and renovations; Jonathan Borofsky: Environmental sculptures and paintings; Face and Body: Photographs; 12 Pages from Cairo Geniza: News in Antiquities: new finds from excavations; Tom Seidmann Freud: Illustrator of children's books; Scraps: home theatre sets and greeting cards; Permanent Collection of Judaica, Art, Archaeology and Contemporary Israeli Art. **Special Exhibits:** Floor Mosaic from Byzantine Farm, 7th century; Masterpiece of Greek Pottery, 6th century Kylix; Installations by Young Sculptors (from May 31). **Ticho House:** Anna Ticho Collection; Hanukkah Collection – Sun, Mon, Wed, Thur 10-4.30; Tue 10-10, Fri 10-1.30. **Rockefeller Museum:** Kadesh Barnea, Judean Kingdom Fortress; News in Antiquities, Finds from Phoenician Tombs, 10th to 7th cent. B.C.E.; How to Study the Past (for children, Paley Centre, next to Rockefeller Museum). Closed Saturdays. **Visiting Hours:** Main Museum 4-10. At 3: Guided tour in English 5.30; Israel Festival Event, "Shakespeare Party in Sculpture Garden."

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Tel Aviv

MUSEUMS

Tel Aviv Museum. New Exhibitions: Nahum Gutman, paintings and illustrations. White City, international style architecture in Israel. **Continuing Exhibitions:** Collections – Classical 17th and 18th century painting; Impressionism and Post-Impressionism; 20th Century Art, Selection of Israeli Art; Twenties and Thirties in Israeli Art. **Special Exhibit:** Prints from Jerusalem Print Workshop. Special Loans, including paintings by Monet, Morisot, Pissaro, Bonnard, Matisse, Rothko, Gottlieb and others. **Visiting Hours:** Sun.-Thur. 10-10 Fri. closed. Sat. 10-2; 7-10. Helena Rubinstein Pavilion: **New Exhibition:** A Pear and an Apple – Exhibition on Still-Life. **Visiting Hours:** Sun-Thur. 9-1; 5-9 Sat. 10-2. Fri. closed.

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ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL:
9.00 School Broadcasts for Jerusalem Day
15.00 Alfred Brendel, piano, plays works by Brahms and Liszt 16.00 A Place in Jerusalem 16.25 Rehov Sumsum 17.00 A New Evening — live magazine
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
No details available
ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup
18.32 In the Land of Dolls
18.45 Inventions and Innovations
19.00 Agriculture Today
19.30 News
HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with a news roundup
20.02 IDF Quiz on Israel's Geography and Battle History
21.00 Mabat Newsreel
21.15 Football – European League Winners Cup Final, live broadcast from Rome of the match between Roma and Liverpool
23.00 Kojak
23.50 News
JORDAN TV (unofficial):
18.30 Cartoons 19.00 French Hour 19.30 (JTV 3) That's Incredible 20.00 News in French 20.30 News in Hebrew 21.00 News in Arabic 21.30 Buffalo Bill 22.10 Documentary 23.00 News in English 23.15 Hotel
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ON THE AIR

Voice of Music

6.02 Musical Clock
7.07 Salomone Rossi: 2 Psalms; Ibert, Divertissement
7.30 Mendelssohn: Athalia Overture; Mozart: Davide Penitente, K.469 (Bertini); Bach: Partita No.4 (Edith Picht-Achsenfeldt harpsichord); Stravinsky: Psalm Symphony (London Symphony, Bernstein)
9.30 Bach: Brandenburg Concerto No.3 (Los Angeles, Zukerman); Bloch: Shelomo (Michael Musky, JSO, Uri Segal); Sibelius: Symphony No.2 (Concertgebouw, Szell)
12.00 Recital by Avigdor Reiss, piano
13.05 Music with Biblical Themes – Seter: Jepthah's Daughter, ballet music (Israel Sinfonietta, Beersheba, Mendi Rodan); Handel: Jepthah Oratorio (Bertini)
15.00 Biblical Songs from all over the world
15.30 Youth Programme
16.30 The Symphony Orchestra of Radio Ljubliana, Yugoslavia – Rudolf Warton, Belgium, conducting – Haris Varontos (Greece): Symphony No.1, Castelnuovo-Tedesco: Guitar Concerto (Jose-Luis Rodrigo); Rachmaninoff: Symphony, Op.13
18.00 Contemporary Music – Shlomo Joffe: Peace Upon Jerusalem (JSO, Rodan); Joan Franke-Williams; with Pedro Krayse-ky: Piece for Musique concrete and Voices; Zvi Avni: Jerusalem the Heavenly (JSO, Rodan)
19.05 The Israel Sinfonietta, Beersheba; Paul Tortelier conducting and soloist; with Maria De La Pau, piano – Tortelier: Variations; Faure: Ballade; Saint-Saens: Cello Concerto; Bizet: Symphony
20.30 The 1984 Israel Festival – Brigham Young University Choir Utah, USA — The Israel Chamber Orchestra, conducted by Ralph Woodward — Handel: Utrecht Te Deum; Charpentier: Kyrie; Mozart: Missa Brevis, K.194; Mendelssohn: Psalm, Op.31; Pinkham: Wedding Cantata; Bach: Motet No.1
23.00 The Artist in his Studio (no details available)

First Programme

6.03 Programmes for Olim
7.30 Morning Concert (from Voice of Music)
9.30 Encounter – live family and social affairs magazine
10.30 Programme in Easy Hebrew
11.10 School Broadcasts
11.30 Education for all
12.05 Sephardi songs
13.00 News in English
13.30 News in French
14.05 Children's programmes
15.05 Programme for Jerusalem Day
19.05 Bible Reading
19.15 Lesson in Halacha
19.30 Programmes for Olim
22.05 To You Jerusalem

Second Programme

6.12 Gymnastics
6.53 Green Light – drivers' corner
7.00 This Morning – news magazine
8.05 Jerusalem, surrounded by hills
13.00 Midday – news, commentary, music
14.10 I am a Jerusalemite – Oded Ben-Ami hosts and interviews
16.10 Quiz on Jerusalem
17.10 Jerusalem Day Ceremony – live broadcast from the Western Wall
18.10 Jerusalem – Then and Now
19.05 Today – radio newsreel
19.30 The Middle East
20.05 Folklore Magazine
21.15 Programme for Jerusalem Day
22.05 King Solomon and the Cobbler – story of the musical
23.05 The City I Love – about Jerusalem

Army

6.06 Morning Sounds
6.30 University on the Air
7.07 "707" – with Alex Aaski
8.05 Morning Newsreel
9.05 Right Now – with Michael Handelsaltz
11.05 Israeli Spring – with Eli Yisraeli
13.05 Two Hours
15.05 What's Wrong? – with Erez Tal
16.05 Four in the Afternoon
17.05 Evening Newsreel
18.05 IDF Magazine
19.05 Music Today – music magazine
20.05 IDF Quiz on Israel's Geography and Battle History
21.00 Mabat – TV Newsreel
21.35 University on the Air (repeat)
22.05 Popular songs
23.05 One to One (repeat)
00.05 Night Birds – songs, chat

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM 4, 7, 9
Eden: Uncommon Valour; **Edison:** Footloose; **Hahirah:** Les Comperes; **Kfir:** Yentl 4, 6.45, 9; **Mitchell:** Fanny and Alexander 5.30, 9; **Orgil:** Muddy River 7, 9.15; **Orion:** Educating Rita 4, 6.45, 9, **Oraa:** Death Trap 4, 6.45, 9; **Ron:** Zelig; **Semadar:** Sven 7, 9.15. **Binyenei Ha'uma:** Terms of Endearment; **Cinema One:** Gone with the Wind 4; Monty Python and the Holy Grail 7.45; Apocalypse Now 9.15; **Cinematheque:** Marathon of Sculpture films 10 a.m.-5.30; Tokyo Story 4; Who Shall Live and Who Shall Die 5; Girl with the Red Hair 6.30; The Sound and the Fury 7, L'ombre Rouge 8; Secrets 9; In Search of Famine 10.15 p.m.

TEL AVIV 5, 7.30, 9.40
Allenby: Space Hunter; **Ben-Yehuda:** Footloose; **Chen 1:** Terms of Endearment 4.35, 7.15, 9.45; **Chen 2:** Cross Creek 4.15, 7.15, 9.40; **Chen 3:** Cross Creek 4.45, 7.15, 9.40; **Chen 4:** Experience Preferred but Not Essential 5, 7.30, 9.45; **Chen 5:** Trading Places 10.30, 1.30, 4.45, 7.25, 9.45; **Cinema One:** Scarface 6.30 9.30; **Cinema Two:** Shogun 6.30, 9.30. **Class:** Love Streams 5, 7.30, 9.45; **Dekel:** Unfaithfully Yours 7.40, 9.40; **Drive-In:** Never Say Never Again 9.45; Paradise 8; Sex film, midnight; **Esther:** Les Comperes, 5, 7.30, 9.50; **Gat:** Big Chill; **Gordon:** Aida; **Hod:** Uncommon Valour 5, 7.30, 9.30; **Lev I:** Zelig 1.30, 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **Lev II:** The Dresser 1.30, 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **Limor:** Seven Year Itch; **Maxim:** Escape from the Bronx 5, 7.30, 9.30; **Mograbi:** Gorky Park; **Orly:** Man who Knew Too Much 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **Paris:** Erendira 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.40; **Peer:** Betrayal **Shahaf:** Yentl 4.15, 7, 9.30; **Studio:** Educating Rita 7.30, 9.40; **Tchelet:** Tender Mercies; **Tel Aviv Museum:** State of Things 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **Zafon:** Fanny and Alexander 4.30, 8.30; **Tel Aviv:** Anna Karenina 5, 7.30, 9.40; **Institut Francais:** Les Portes de la Mer 8.30

HAIFA 4, 6.45, 9
Amphitheatre: Passenger in the Rain 7, 9.15; **Armon:** High Plains Drifter; **Atzmon:** Evil that Men Do; **Chen:** Return of Martin Guerre; **Moriah:** Educating Rita; **Orah:** To Be or Not to Be; **Peer:** Terms of Endearment 4, 6.30, 9; **Ron:** Footloose; **Shavit:** Fanny and Alexander 8.30; **French Cultural Centre:** La Belle et La Bete 9.30.

RAMAT GAN
Armon: Paradise 5, 7.30, 9.30; **Lily:** Gorky Park 7.30, 9.40; **Oasis:** Star Ship Invasion 7.15, 9.45; Fury of Achilles 5; **Orden:** Never Say Never Again 5, 7.30, 9.45; **Ramat Gan:** Evil that Men Do 7.30, 9.40.

HERZLIYA
David: Never Say Never Again, Sun., Tue., Wed., Thur. 5, 7.15, 9.30; **Tiferet:** Love You Carmen 7.30, 9.30.

HOLON
Migdal: Terms of Endearment 7.15, 9.40; **Savoy:** Scarface 7, 9.30; Mad Professor 5.



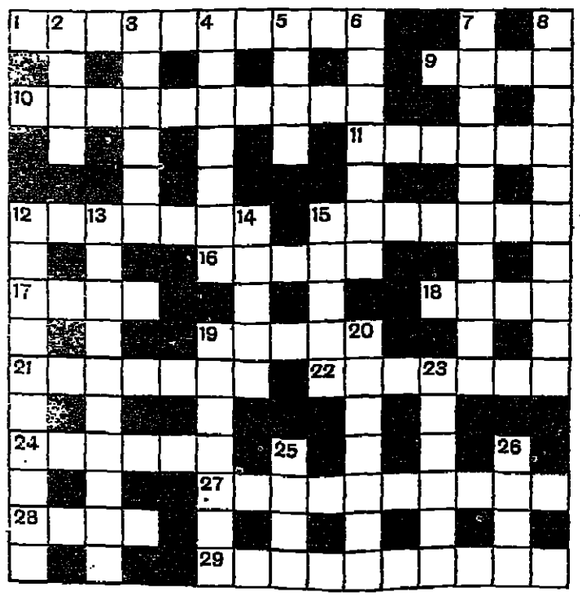
ONE-AND-ONE CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Payment made to landowner as result of earthquake, maybe (6-4)
9 Highly ludicrous members of the affluent society (4)
10 Supplied in error for correcting fluid? (7-3)
11 Biblical queen set to change her retinue (6)
12 Cutting tool the worker caught sight of (7)
15 Champagne regarded with bulging pupils? (5-4)
16 The Swiss speech Linda translated (5)
17 Viciously indulgent remover of weeds? (4)
18 Rodolfo found her extremely frigid (4)
19 Tyrannical male introducing punitive measure (5)
21 A dog on the hearth (7)
22 Superior promenade for tourists enjoying sea-air (3, 4)
24 An encroachment on the highway? (6)
27 A paying game these days for racketeers (4-6)
28 Spectacularly frilly mini-skirt (4)
29 An under-employed head light? (6, 4)

DOWN

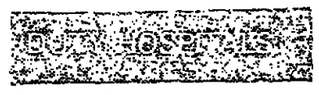
2 Empty sheep range? (4)
3 A French class lacking in consideration for others? (6)
4 Fellow Gael rambling in a remote part of Ireland (7)
5 Issue that takes time up (4)
6 Received aboard and given employment? (5, 2)
7 Excellent punishment for the perpetrator of a gigantic fraud! (6, 4)
8 Nip in a pub, perhaps (5, 5)
12 They have simple remedies for human ills (10)
13 The plain facts about the nudist camp? (5, 5)
14 Novel reflection about a cross made of impressionable material (5)
15 Guide to lip-reading in reverse (5)
19 A rough cover on top of a Scottish chimney (7)
20 He isn't sure, but changes when the actor comes out (7)
23 Kind of weed the Navy are first upset about (6)
25 Political doctor we spit on (4)
26 A company that won't give way? (4)



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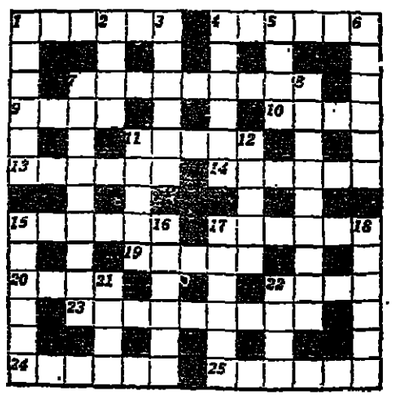
QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Easy catch
4 Long step
7 Skilled worker
9 Reverberate
10 Solitary
11 Snow and rain
12 Royal seat
14 Reposed
15 Alfresco meal
17 U.S. playwright
19 Furiously angry
20 Head cook
22 Aromatic herb
23 Fictitious land of romance
24 City of Texas
25 Draw forth

DOWN

1 Noiseless
2 Novice
3 Lottery
4 Senior nurse
5 Genuine
6 Prolong
7 Nature
8 Homesickness
11 Slow-moving creature
12 Lukewarm
15 Chosen
16 Science of citizenship
17 Optical illusion
18 Quick reply
21 Combustible material
22 Puccini heroine



Yesterday's Solution



Quick Solution

ACROSS: 1 Four, 3 Shadowed, 9 Lunch, 10 Diploma, 11 Hit, 13 Precedent, 14 Corpse, 16 Remand, 18 Editorial, 20 Elm, 22 Tourist, 23 Fight, 25 Dressing, 26 Spur. **DOWN:** 1 Fifth, 2 Urn, 4 Hidden, 5 Deplete, 6 Wholesale, 7 Drafted, 8 Chap, 12 Turpitude, 14 Created, 15 Stories, 17 Kitten, 19 Lift, 21 Motor, 24 Gap.

Cohen-Orgad gives shares a boost

TEL AVIV. – The centre of activity swung from the bond market over to shares as prices rose sharply across the board in yesterday's trading. Volume in the share market rose and numerous issues advanced by large margins.

The bond market cooled off from the frenetic pace of trading seen on Sunday and Monday. Some sectors rose and others fell, leaving the bond index almost unchanged on the day.

The share market had what was undoubtedly its best day in several weeks, possibly since the end of March. Advances swamped declines by nearly 10 to 1. Half of the rising issues (190 out of 373) tacked on gains of more than 5 per cent, while 64 more found no sellers and were marked "buyers only." On the downside, only 9 issues fell by large margins, with one solitary share on the "sellers only" list.

The reason for the bout of buying was not hard to find. It was the announcement in the Knesset by Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad of projected reforms in the stock market. These reforms are to include the unifying of different classes of shares, so as to give all shareholders in a company equal voting rights. This was enough to spark a wave of interest on the part of traders and speculators.

The only fly in the ointment yesterday was the volume figure. While a turnover of IS593 million is an improvement over the dismal levels seen in many recent sessions, it is still far from satisfactory. Translated into dollars it amounts to less than $3m. And with more than half of this represented by the "arrangement" bank share bonds, the actual amount of money changing hands in the "free" share market remains low.

If the positive turn taken yesterday extends for another several sessions, during which time the volume expands and other investors are drawn in, then the deeply entrenched pessimism of most of the investment community regarding the chances of a significant rally in the short-term will begin to be dispelled. There have been too many "false starts," when over-eager traders found themselves left holding quantities of shares for which no buyers appeared. Experience has taught the need for caution in the volatile markets seen this year.

Cynics, of whom there are many in financial circles, were quick to point out that a spell of rising prices on the share market would suit the Treasury very nicely at this juncture. It would help to reduce the flow of money into "black" dollars and lower the premium on illegal cash dollars over the official rate. It would also draw money out of the "grey" market for loans (that exist outside the commercial banks) and return it to the banking system for the purpose of playing the market. If the trend carried on long enough, it could even affect voting patterns on election day.

As against this, the suggested reforms, desirable though they may be, are unlikely to complete all the stages of the legislative procedure in the very short time left to the current Knesset.

In view of the background mutterings of "one swallow not making a summer" we shall have to wait for developments in the next day or two to provide a better picture of the emerging trend.

The single-day advance registered yesterday took the General Share Index up 3.5 per cent, while the non-bank index rose almost 5 per cent. Real estate shares showed a 6.55 per cent jump, but top billing went to the index of investment companies, which soared by no less than 7.1 per cent.

Announcements:

Teva joined the list of companies planning rights issues with an offer of a new option series to existing shareholders. The options (series 4) will be issued at no cost on the ratio of 1 to each 10 shares held, and are exercisable at a price of IS50 until August 15, 1986.

Most active issues:

Mizrahi	3015	IS76.5m.	n.c.
Leumi	3195	IS41.2m.	+110
Hapoalim	5035	IS16.5m.	+160

Turnovers:
Stocks: IS593.2m.
Bonds: IS519.5m.
Issues up: 373
Issues Down: 40

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By PINHAS LANDAU

Increase in travel and recreation allowances

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The Histadrut and the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations, representing private employers, signed an agreement Monday revising the recreation and travel allowances of salaried workers.

From June 1, the employers' contribution to recreation and vacation expenses will be IS3,401 a day. Workers vacationing in Kupat Holim Clalit hostels or in another recognized manner (such as organized tours) will receive a daily allowance of IS3,401.

Workers paying value added tax on hotel expenses will have the money reimbursed.

The travel allowance on public transport was raised by 9 per cent, to IS180 a day, retroactive to May 15. The allowance covers travel to and from work.

$400m. expansion of Egyptian oil pipeline

CAIRO (AP). – Work has begun on a $400 million project to expand the capacity of the Sumed oil pipeline to 120 million tons annually, *Al-Ahram* reports.

The current capacity of the 333 km. twin pipeline which runs across Egypt from the Gulf of Suez to the Mediterranean west of Alexandria is 80 million tons annually.

The pipeline is a 50/50 partnership between Egypt's General Petroleum Corporation and an Arab consortium composed of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi and Qatar. It was built at the cost of $500m. to present a shortcut from the Red Sea to the Mediterranean.

Al-Ahram said Egypt will pay half of the cost of the expansion project, while Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Abu Dhabi contribute $60m. each. Qatar will provide the remaining $20m.

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FRANCE	FRANC	1	23.6231	23.9179	22.5900	24.2500
HOLLAND	GULDEN	1	64.4747	65.2792	63.9000	66.1700
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	1	88.0688	89.1677	87.2800	90.3900
SWEDEN	KRONA	1	24.6174	24.9246	24.0800	25.2700
NORWAY	KRONE	1	25.4654	25.7831	24.9100	26.1400
DENMARK	KRONE	1	19.8017	20.0489	19.3700	20.3200
FINLAND	MARK	1	34.2153	34.6422	33.4700	35.1200
CANADA	DOLLAR	1	153.3817	155.2955	150.8000	157.4200
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	1	178.5093	180.7366	170.5600	184.8600
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	1	155.0560	156.9907	130.6300	165.8300
BELGIUM	FRANC	10	35.6378	36.0825	—	—
AUSTRIA	SCHILLING	10	103.3572	104.6469	102.4400	106.0800
ITALY	LIRE	1000	117.5986	119.0660	111.3100	120.7000
JAPAN	YEN	1000	857.8921	868.5962	850.3000	880.5000

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Yesterday's foreign exchange rates against the Israel Shekel, for U.S. dollar transactions under $2000 and transactions of other currencies under the equivalent of $500.

	Selling	Buying
US$	201.3410	198.8580
Sterling	278.2130	274.7832
DM	73.5627	72.6557
French FR	23.9122	23.6174
Dutch G	65.2539	64.4494
Swiss FR	89.2074	88.1076
Swedish KR	24.9339	24.6264
Norwegian KR	25.7716	25.4539
Danish KR	20.0559	19.8086
Finnish MK	34.6423	34.2152
Canadian $	155.4397	153.5234
Australian $	180.7639	178.5355
Rand	155.0527	153.1412
Belgian Con(10)	36.0568	35.6122
Belgian Fin(10)	35.5663	35.1278
Austrian SH(10)	104.6471	103.3570
Yen(100)	86.8336	85.7631
Spanish PTS(100)	130.9705	129.3559
Italian Lire(1000)	119.0836	117.6157

GOLD: $386.00/386.50/oz

INTERBANK SPOT RATES:

US$	1.3818/28	per £
DM	2.7370/80	per $
Swiss FR	2.2570/80	per $
French FR	8.4150/00	per $
Italian Lire	1690.75/75	per $
Dutch G	3.0845/55	per $
Yen	231.87/95	per $
Danish KR	10.0420/45	per $
Norwegian KR	7.8075/25	per $
Swedish KR	8.0700/50	per $
Belgian Fin	56.61/66	per $
Belgian Con	55.84/86	per $

FORWARD RATES

	1 mon.	3 mon.	6mon.
$/£	1.384/454	1.393/08	1.397/488
DM/$	2.7244/59	2.6965/80	2.6655/75
Sw.FR/$	2.2433/47	2.2118/32	2.1665/85

Bank of Israel exchange rates

Tuesday 29, 1984

	IS
U.S. dollar	200.10
British sterling	276.61
German mark	73.109
French franc	23.773
Dutch guilder	64.873
Swiss franc	88.677
Swedish krona	24.771
Norwegian krone	25.626
Danish krone	19.925
Finnish mark	34.435
Canadian dollar	154.51
Australian dollar	179.68
South African rand	156.09
Belgian franc (10)	35.857
Austrian schilling (10)	104.05
Italian lire (100)	118.34
Japanese yen (100)	86.276
Irish pound	224.21
Spanish peseta (100)	130.19
Jordanian dinar	526.26
Lebanese lira	34.060
Egyptian pound	174.09

	Closing price	Volume IS1,000	Change	% change
Commercial Banks				
(not part of "arrangement")				
OHH r	2420	9	−170	+7.6
Maritime 0.1	740	b.o.1	+35	+5.0
Maritime 0.5	268	b.o.1	+13	+5.1
American 1	1571	13	n.c.	—
American 5	1167	77	−37	−3.1
Amp op 1	2522	24	−19	−.8
Dan 1	302	126	n.c.	—
Dan 5	88	1487	+8	+9.9
Dan sc 2	213	64	+12	+6.0
First Int'l 0.5	347	1955	+32	+10.2
FIBI 0.5	411	1027	+37	+9.9
Commercial Banks				
(part of "arrangement")				
IDB p	—	—	—	—
IDB r	7345	164	+100	+1.4
IDB B r	7500	5	n.c.	—
IDB p A	44000	1	n.c.	—
IDB op 11	—	—	—	—
Union 0.1	5510	63	+90	+1.7
Discount B r	9650	18	+440	+4.8
Discount A r	9705	111	+430	+4.6
Discount op 2	1150	10	−30	−1.7
Discount B op	3015	2537	n.c.	—
Mizrahi r	2976	1	+1	+—
Mizrahi b	2166	7461	n.c.	—
Mizrahi op 11	—	—	—	—
Mizrahi op 12	—	—	—	—
Mizrahi op 6	25100	—	n.c.	—
Mizrahi op 9	1355	38	+25	+1.9
Hapoalim p	6980	1	+635	+10.0
Hapoalim r	5035	327	+160	+3.3
Hapoalim b	4960	9	+60	+1.2
Hapoalim op 8	18683	5	+283	+1.5
General A	13550	39	+1000	+8.0
General op 8	29850	—	+350	+1.2
General op 9	12040	12	+320	+2.7
General op 6	9620	—	+220	+2.3
General op 7	635	40	+19	+3.1
Leumi 0.1	3195	1290	+110	+3.6
Leumi op 9	4300	5	n.c.	—
Leumi op 11	1210	237	+10	+.8
Finance Trade	4575	—	+45	+1.0
Finance Trade 5	2399	4	+99	+4.3
Finance Tr op	3999	2	+169	+4.4
Mortgage Banks				
Adanim 0.1	951	—	n.c.	—
Gen Mortgage	1325	20	+50	+3.9
Gen Mortgage	1275	—	—	—
Carmel r	611	40	n.c.	—
Carmel op	no trading			
Carmel deb	270	—	n.c.	—
Binyan	1621	1	n.c.	—
Dev Mortgage r	440	570	+27	+6.5
Dev Mortgage b	440	—	—	—
Dev Mort. op	257	356	+22	+9.4
Mishkan r	3420	—	n.c.	—
Independence	2150	—	—	—
Tefahot p r	1100	20	n.c.	—
Tefahot r	898	70	+28	+3.2
Tefahot deb. 1	730	4	n.c.	—
Tefahot deb. 2	365	183	n.c.	—
Jaysour 1	176	35	+10	+6.0
Jaysour 5	153	5	+11	+7.8
Jaysour op	105	215	+5	+5.0
Merav r	289	360	+26	+9.9
Financial Institutions				
Shilton r	87	417	+8	+10.1
Shilton op B	988	—	−52	−5.0
Agriculture A	10700	—	n.c.	—
Agriculture C	18000	—	+1000	+5.9
Leumi Ind r	1117	—	+1	+1.1
Leumi Ind b	1179	—	—	—
Dev. Mort. r	10400	2	+400	+4.0
Dev. Mort. b	42000	—	n.c.	—
Dev. Mort. C	25000	2	−1200	−4.6
Dev. Mort. CC	25100	4	−1100	−4.2
Dev. Mort. D	25599	2	−400	−1.5
Dev. Mort. DD	8575	—	+162	+1.9
Contractors	220	317	+10	+4.8
Tourism	19100	—	—	—
Clal Lease 0.1	341	103	+31	+10.0
Clal Lease 0.5	236	4	+21	+9.8
Clal Lease deb	1305	85	+34	+2.7
Insurance				
Aryeh r	575	168	+40	+7.5
Aryeh op	410	246	+47	+13.0
Aryeh sub deb	4322	—	—	—
Ararat 0.1 r	760	5	n.c.	—
Ararat 0.5 b	270	23	+20	+8.0
Reinsur 0.1 r	680	0	+60	+9.7
Reinsur 0.5 r	181	120	+15	+9.0
Hadar 1	280	12	+14	+5.3
Hadar 5	147	b.o.1	+7	+5.0
Hassneh r	655	526	+50	+8.3
Hassneh op 4	—	—	—	—
Phoenix 0.1 r	1000	—	—	—
Phoenix 0.5 r	429	10	+2	+.5
Hamishmar 1	930	5	+5	+.5
Hamishmar 5	855	45	n.c.	—
Hamishmar op	1259	b.o.1	+5	+4.7
Yardenia 0.1 r	276	b.o.1	+13	+4.9
Yardenia 0.5 r	117	b.o.1	+5	+4.9
Yardenia op 2	71	10	+8	+12.7
Menorah 1	1321	b.o.2	+63	+5.0
Menorah 5	299	b.o.1	+14	+4.9
Sahar r	1180	6	−20	−1.7
Securitas r	356	465	+30	+9.2
Zur r	545	20	n.c.	—
Zion Hold. 1	358	5	+33	+10.2
Zion Hold. 5	143	140	+13	+10.0
Trade & Services				
Trade				
Meir Ezra	530	50	n.c.	—
Meir Ezra op	298	—	—	—
Teta 1	175	57	−4	−2.2
Teta 5	159	20	+10	+6.7
Teta op	48	1528	+6	+14.1
Clal Trade	400	126	+30	+8.1
Clal Trade op	553	100	+74	+15.5
Crystal 1	230	—	+9	+4.1
Rapac 0.1	1270	—	+30	+2.4
Rapac 0.5	265	b.o.1	+13	+5.2
Supersol 2	1095	131	+65	+6.3
Supersol B 10	561	625	+51	+10.0
Supersol op C	546	62	+96	+21.3
Services				
Delek r	2904	162	+264	+10.0
Harel 1	930	1	n.c.	—
Harel 5	749	11	n.c.	—
Lighterage 0.1	645	381	+45	+7.5
Lighterage 0.5	374	b.o.1	+18	+5.1
Cold Store 0.1	18000	1	−2000	−10.0
Cold Store 1	10000	1	−60	−.6
Israel Elec. r	24178	2	−4266	−15.0
Bond Ware 0.1	427	480	+11	+2.6
Bond Ware 0.5	270	506	+15	+5.9
Bond Ware op	170	694	+1	+.6
Consort Hold 1	460	46	+32	+7.5
Consort 0.5	309	40	+28	+10.0
Consort op A	251	10	+26	+11.6
Kopel 1	314	b.o.1	+15	+5.0
Kopel op	137	20	+1	+.7
Hotels, Tourism				
Galei Zohar 1	469	75	+34	+7.8
Galei Zohar 5	204	68	+8	+4.1
Dan Hotels 1	930	50	−10	−1.1
Dan Hotels 5	480	72	+7	+1.5
Coral Beach	372	71	+22	+6.3
Kenes	314	15	−15	−4.6
Yarden Hotel	285	18	+4	+1.4
Yarden Hotel s	126	133	+10	+9.1
Yahalom	175	b.o.1	+5	+5.0
Yahalom op	121	—	—	—
Computers				
Data	309	10	n.c.	—
Hilon 1	640	—	+40	+6.7
Hilon 5	950	3	n.c.	—
Ya'ane	463	21	+12	+2.7
Ya'ane op	347	39	+19	+8.3
Clal Comp.	466	—	+10	+2.2
Clal Comp. op	341	—	—	—
M.L.L. 1	1150	20	n.c.	—
M.L.L. 5	485	—	+25	+5.4
M.L.L. op	273	—	—	—
Mashov	230	50	+10	+4.6
Nikus 1	300	72	n.c.	—
Nikus 5	165	97	n.c.	—
Nikus op	115	b.o.1	+15	+15.0
Team 1	1285	4	n.c.	—
Team op	1010	4	+35	+3.6
Real Estate, Building				
Oren	183	120	+23	+14.7
Azorim Prop	281	764	+23	+8.9
Azorim opE	212	205	+24	+12.8
Eilon	54	396	−6	−10.0
Eilon op	40	21	−1	−3.6
El-Rov 1	151	b.o.1	+7	+4.9
El-Rov 5	124	b.o.1	+6	+5.1
Amnonim	146	b.o.1	+7	+5.0
Amnonim op	98	15	+14	+16.6
Africa Isr. 0.1	2794	60	+254	+10.0
Africa Isr. 1.0	2350	40	+210	+9.8
Arazim	132	b.o.1	+6	+4.8
Arazim op	119	—	—	—
Arledan 0.1	881	71	n.c.	—
Arledan 0.5	267	170	+4	+1.5
Ben Yakar 1	229	b.o.1	+11	+5.1
Ben Yakar op	220	46	+20	+10.0
Baranowitz 1	145	478	+13	+9.9
Baranowitz 5	91	690	+8	+9.6
Baranowitz op	70	20	n.c.	—
Dankner	187	695	+17	+10.0
Drucker 1	302	111	+27	+9.8
Drucker 5	120	b.o.1	+5	+4.8
Drucker op	107	95	+11	+11.5
Durad 0.1	930	2	−15	−1.6
Durad 0.5	295	30	+27	+10.1
Durad op	899	—	−1	−.1
H.L.B. 0.1	510	1	+28	+5.8
H.L.B. 0.5 r	183	305	+16	+9.9
Property Bldg.	810	549	+40	+5.2
Bayside 0.1	1258	30	+114	+10.0
Bayside 0.5	759	100	+26	+3.6
ILDC r	1577	b.o.1	+75	+5.0
ILDC b	—	—	—	—
Ispro	504	413	+46	+10.0
Isralom	381	—	+18	+5.0
Isras	682	370	+62	+10.0
Cohen Dev.	190	39	+5	+2.7
Cohen Dev. op	84	4	−6	−6.7
Clal Real	154	1480	+13	+9.2
Clal Real opD	—	—	—	—
Lumir 1	117	343	+3	+2.6
Lumir 5	61	591	+3	+5.2
Lumir op	37	345	n.c.	—
M.T.M. 1	6398	—	+582	+10.0
M.T.M. 5	3803	b.o.2	+181	+5.0
Bldg.Res.	68	1129	+6	+9.6
Bldg.Res.op	45	303	n.c.	—
Modul	280	4	+18	+6.9
Mishnel	177	—	+8	+5.0
Menrav	69	310	+2	+3.7
Menrav op	157	63	+22	+16.7
Mar-Lez	472	75	+43	+10.0
Mar-Lez op	390	23	+26	+7.1
Levinstein 1	460	100	+10	+2.2
Levinstein 5	99	402	+9	+10.0
Levinstein op	64	290	+4	+6.7
Lifschitz 1	255	344	+23	+9.9
Lifschitz 5	143	b.o.1	+6	+4.7
Lifschitz op	104	550	+13	+14.3
Neot Aviv	5456	2	+496	+10.0
Azorim Prop.	419	b.o.1	+20	+5.0
Sahar Hold 1	491	20	+21	+4.5
Sahar Hold 5	354	20	+10	+2.9
Solel Boneh	1020	50	+70	+7.4
Sahaf 1	248	—	—	—
Sahaf 5	150	—	—	—
Sahaf op	110	—	−2	−1.8
Afar Ve'Sela	855	61	+20	+2.4
Caesarea 0.1	138	b.o.1	+6	+4.9
Caesarea 0.5	67	836	n.c.	—
Rogovin 1	500	32	+1	+.2
Rogovin 5	314	8	+29	+10.2
Rogovin op	80	68	+11	+15.9
Rassco p	645	73	+38	+6.3
Rassco r	620	141	+40	+6.9
Rassco op	510	b.o.1	+40	+8.5
Agriculture				
Hadar 0.1	190	189	+10	+5.6
Hadar 0.5	90	b.o.1	+4	+4.7
Hadar op	52	133	n.c.	—
Mehadrin	2100	22	+120	+6.1
Hadarim prop.	275	855	+25	+10.0
Pri-Or	630	9	+20	+3.3
Shenhar	140	b.o.1	+6	+4.9
Industrials				
Food and Tobacco				
Atas	400	31	n.c.	—
Atas op	198	186	n.c.	—
Atlantic	84	140	+7	+9.7
Atlantic op	36	159	n.c.	—
Gold Frost 1	191	1	+1	+.5
Gold Frost 5	65	b.o.1	+3	+4.8
Gold Frost op	54	b.o.1	+3	+6.9
Dubek r	3130	20	+280	+9.8
Dubek b	3100	2	+180	+6.2
Sanlakol 1	440	8	n.c.	—
Sanlakol 5	268	3	−10	−3.6
Sanlakol op	279	—	—	—
Pri-Ze 1	572	114	+52	+10.0
Pri-Ze 5	465	205	n.c.	—
Pri-Ze op	302	300	+2	+.7
Tempo 1	515	60	−15	−2.8
Tempo 5	399	21	n.c.	—
Izhar 1	368	42	+17	+4.8
Izhar 5	248	b.o.1	+12	+5.1
Man 1	1154	—	+50	+4.5
Man 5	700	45	−40	−5.4
Sunfrost	600	249	+12	+2.0
Elite r	2600	85	+200	+8.1
Assis	2635	b.o.1	+125	+5.0
Shemen p	1417	b.o.1	+67	+5.0
Textiles and Clothing				
Ofis r	137	13	—	+.4
Ofis op	81	b.o.1	+6	+8.7
Baruch 1	390	—	−6	−1.5
Baruch 5	349	22	−12	−4.6
Baruch op	115	—	—	—
Alaska Sport 1	104	80	+8	+8.3
Alaska Sport 5	63	105	−3	−4.6
Eftan 1	67	383	+4	+6.4
Eftan op	41	483	+3	+7.9
Argaman r	780	3	+15	+2.0
Ata B 1	66	b.o.1	+3	+4.8
Ata C 0.1	64	b.o.1	+3	+4.9
Ata op	32	855	+3	+10.3
Delta Galil 1	319	86	+29	+10.0
Delta Galil 3	210	b.o.2	+10	+5.0
Delta Galil	—	—	—	—
United Spinners	92	200	+2	+2.2
United Spinners	65	100	+2	+3.2
Spinners op	42	6	n.c.	—
Vitalgo 1	150	421	n.c.	—
Vitalgo 5	96	b.o.1	+4	+4.9
Wardinon	161	48	n.c.	—
Wardinon op	93	—	+1	+1.1
Zikit 1	151	182	−7	−4.4
Zikit 5	69	b.o.1	+3	+5.3
Trp Top 1	79	10	n.c.	—
Trp Top op	49	300	+8	+19.5
Yamar 1	370	6	−8	−2.1
Yamar 5	no trading			
Ligal	142	1	+2	+1.4
Ligal op	62	646	+4	+7.8
Lodzia 0.1	156	30	+6	+4.0
Lodzia 0.4	81	9	—	+.6
MIF Glico	265	—	−19	−6.7
MIF Glico op	139	25	+21	+17.8
Maquette 1	808	b.o.1	+38	+4.9
Maquette 5	299	52	n.c.	—
Eagle 1	1165	75	105	+9.9
Eagle 5	1078	47	+98	+10.0
Eagle op	1400	7	n.c.	—
Polgat 0.1	3000	3	+240	+8.7
Polgat 0.4	1760	115	+160	+10.0
Polygon r	255	180	+23	+9.9
Pargod	148	b.o.1	+7	+5.0
Pargod op	81	30	+6	+8.0
Schoellerina	655	50	+50	+8.3
Rogosin	107	74	n.c.	—
Metals and Metal Products				
Octagon	265	1	n.c.	—
Octagon op	261	—	—	—
Urdan 0.1 r	1621	4	−19	−1.2
Urdan 0.5 r	883	b.o.1	+42	+5.0
Urdan op	770	20	+35	+4.8
Cables r	740	3	n.c.	—
Cables b	no trading			
Hatchof 1	368	b.o.1	+18	+5.1
Hatchof 5	167	70	+15	+9.9
Is. Can Corp 1	294	199	+20	+7.3
Is. Can Corp 5	270	20	+20	+8.0
Sdom Metals 1	191	13	+11	+6.1
Sdom Metals op	84	—	—	+.6
Zion Cables 1	1358	29	+100	+8.0
Zion Cables 5	286	827	+26	+10.0
Zion Cables op	—	—	—	—
Kadmani 1	185	295	+12	+6.9
Kadmani 5	102	666	+9	+10.2
Kadmani op	286	25	+20	+7.5
Nechushtan 0.1	347	6	+1	+.3
Nechushtan 0.5	216	193	+20	+10.2
Nechushtan op	—	—	—	—
Arad	233	300	+21	+9.9
Arad op	157	30	+12	+8.3
Pecker Steel	330	b.o.1	+16	+5.1
King 1	520	30	+32	+6.6
King 5	305	—	+25	+8.9
King op	110	100	+1	+.9
Klil 1	399	17	+1	+.3
Klil 5	266	—	+1	+.4
Sheladot	502	150	+2	+.4
Sheladot op	409	24	n.c.	—
Lachish 1	465	21	n.c.	—
Lachish 5	345	20	+5	+1.5
Lachish op	427	—	—	—
Electrical Machinery				
Electronics, Optics				
Elbit 3 r	64855	7	+3000	+4.9
Elbit op	96200	—	n.c.	—
Elco 0.1	380	5	+35	+10.1
Elco 0.25 r	228	912	+10	+4.6
Elco 0.25 b	237	10	+22	+10.2
Electra 0.1 r	1956	5	+130	+7.1
Electra 0.5 r	855	52	+55	+6.9
Electra op 3	561	87	+60	+12.0
Elron	64000	5	+1143	+1.8

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The Stingers sting

ISRAEL has reconciled itself to the supply by the U.S. of Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to Saudi Arabia. Mr. Shamir had little alternative.

At a time of tension in the Gulf, with Saudi Arabia's own oilfields vulnerable to air attack by Iran, Mr. Reagan felt compelled to respond to this Saudi request. Given the present honeymoon in Israel's relations with the U.S. and the degree of strategic cooperation between the two countries, it would have been impolitic indeed for the Israeli government to make difficulties for the Reagan administration over this item.

The real problem is not the use to which Saudi Arabia will put the missiles. If there could be more confidence that Saudi Arabia is in fact capable of protecting its own interests militarily, the addition of such shoulder missiles to ward off warplanes would be considered wholly reasonable.

But despite the massive military hardware the Saudis have received over the years, they have so far during the Gulf crisis proved incapable of defending themselves. There is reason to suspect therefore that the missiles will change that. Instead they could find their way not only to Saudi's air defence network, but to the terrorist organizations that have effective channels to Saudi Arabia's treasures.

Because of the military impotence or ineffectiveness of the Gulf oil kingdoms, they have all been looking to outside intervention, especially from the U.S. to safeguard the oil lanes from Iranian and Iraqi attack. But Washington is understandably reluctant to help those who can't help themselves.

As a result diplomacy, not arms, remains the only practical way of maintaining the security of the Gulf waters. The only difficulty is that this may not serve the interests of Iran and Iraq, the warring states who have caused the difficulties.

So far diplomacy has not been able to end their war. It remains to be seen whether it can be successfully deployed to remove the oil element of the war from the military equation.

Mubarak gets his mandate

EGYPTIANS have just elected a new People's Assembly in what has been widely described as the freest election the country has known since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1952.

True, there is reported to have been considerable intimidation of potential supporters of the various opposition parties, particularly in the provinces. There was even some violence, with one opposition candidate shot to death and the wife of another stabbed.

But even the leaders of the opposition parties, while complaining of irregularities in the provinces, had to concede that voting in Cairo and the other large cities was clean and free of intimidation.

The results were predictable – President Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party gained a massive majority, giving him the vote of confidence he sought from the people. And this, really, is all that elections in Egypt are really about.

But President Mubarak might well be viewing with some misgiving two disturbing features of this exercise in Egyptian democracy – the extremely low voter turnout, despite his eve of election admonition that voting was a "national must," and the surprisingly good showing made by the New Wafd Party.

The low turnout might simply reflect general public apathy about a democratic process that could have little or no effect whatever on Egypt's course or the course of their own lives. But it could also reflect growing disillusion, if not opposition to, the ruling policies.

The Wafd party explicity challenged Mr. Mubarak's policies – including his continued adherence to the peace treaty with Israel. Its gains must be understood in these terms.

Yet despite the emergence of an extremely vocal opposition hostile to the peace with Israel, little is likely to change in Cairo-Jerusalem relations.

Mubarak went out of his way to stress on the eve of the elections that the Israel-Egypt peace treaty was not an election issue. And now that he has gained the vote of confidence he sought, he is not likely, even under increased opposition pressure, to do anything either to warm up or further freeze his country's "cold peace" with Israel.

Ultimately, in Egypt, it is not what opposition politicians say, but what the president does that counts. Hosni Mubarak has taken notice that he remains committed to peace with Israel as an Egyptian "strategic interest." The war in Lebanon has not affected this position. Neither will the relative success of the New Wafd in the latest election on the Nile.

THE POLITICS OF DESPAIR

By DAVID KRIVINE

THE OUTBURST of apologetica (that filled the media last weekend) over the misdeeds of Jewish terrorism revealed something not realized before: that the Gush Emunim settlers live a life of fear and dread in the territories.

A Jewish resident of Hebron (Hebron proper, not Kiryat Arba) reminded an evening paper that only 15 Jewish families had been settled in that city – where eight Jews have already paid the supreme price. The resort to counter-terrorism is an act of despair.

Where there is security there is moderation, as in Gush Etzion, heavily settled under past Labour governments in a defence zone.

Where there is insecurity, there is extremism. It is the tragedy of failure. Blowing up Arab buses will not improve Jewish security. The stern repression urged by Israel's would-be man of iron, Rabbi Moshe Levinger, may cower juvenile stone-throwers, at least temporarily.

It will not cower the men with the knives. On the contrary, it will stoke up Arab hostility to a renewed frenzy.

Gush Emunim is right to blame the government for the perils they face, but not because the government doesn't do enough to repress the enemy. The fault of the two Likud administrations is to have scattered a small number of settlers over a large area in order to give the impression that an historic restoration is being enacted of the Jewish presence in Eretz Yisrael.

What is being enacted is the exposure of a sprinkling of bearded enthusiasts to the hostility of a large and established Arab population who see these relatively scanty newcomers as a first harbinger of the expected Jewish takeover.

THE ARMY cannot freeze all acts of violence in and around every one of over a hundred vulnerable mini-settlements, spread from north to south. Those who chose to make their homes in densely populated Arab areas face an impossible dilemma.

The only way to put a lid on Arab terror, some of them concluded, was to beat the assassins of the PLO at their own game. If we kill more Arab men, women and children than they kill Jewish men, women and children – so the argument goes – they will desist.

They won't. The use of murder as a method of intimidation has never worked, and it never will. This is not unconnected with the fact that murder is evil. The Fifth Commandment states explicitly: "You shall not murder." Defenders of the Jewish underground retort that killing "out of love of Zion" is not murder.

WHERE DOES the one end and the other begin? Humanity has tried to make that distinction, which is embodied in a corpus of international law. Killing must be done by soldiers in a war declared by a government, and hostilities must be confined to military targets.

It is an imprecise definition (is it legitimate to bomb a civilian neighbourhood which contains a gun emplacement?). The line is hard to draw – but it must be drawn, to divide civilization from barbarism.

Israel refuses to negotiate with the PLO because the PLO is a terrorist organization. It massacred athletes in Munich, shot up schoolchildren in Ma'alot, destroyed a bus and passengers on the coastal road; and all Israel shuddered at the horror of these attacks. If Jews do the same, does assassination cease to be hideous; does it suddenly become virtuous?

Professor Yuval Ne'eman is against blowing up innocent civilians but justifies the mauling of the pro-PLO mayors because it brought an abatement of Arab terrorism.

If he is right, then why are Jewish extremists resorting to counter-terrorism at this moment? Israel Eldad considers that the members of the underground do "what they are supposed to do." Why so, if the assault on the mayors has taken the edge off anti-Jewish violence on the West Bank?

The answer is that murder solves no problems. When you start murdering, you have to go on.

The army realizes that, it knows the limit of its capacities. It can keep the peace in the territories, but it can't ensure that not a single one of 30,000 Jewish settlers, surrounded by three-quarters-of-a-million seething Arabs, will ever be hit by a stone or stop a bullet.

THERE ARE only two ways of achieving that kind of 100 per cent security: to outnumber the Arabs, or not to settle in those areas in the first place. It is possible to outnumber the Arabs in the defence zones, as outlined in the Allon plan. That is not difficult: practically no Arabs live there.

It is impossible to outnumber the Arabs in the densely-populated regions, which is why the Sharon plan of Judaizing all the West Bank and Gaza is a non-starter. All it leads to in the end is Jewish counter-terrorism, in a desperate bid to achieve through the commission of wild atrocities what cannot be achieved by any other means.

The policy of the Jewish underground is evil, it has no merit, its results are all negative. It perpetuates and aggravates Israel's isolation. Peace can be achieved only if Arab hostility diminishes. Indiscriminate homicide by the Jewish underground fans hatred and exacerbates hostility. Brutality and violence widen the gap between the two communities. Moderate Arabs are driven into the arms of the PLO.

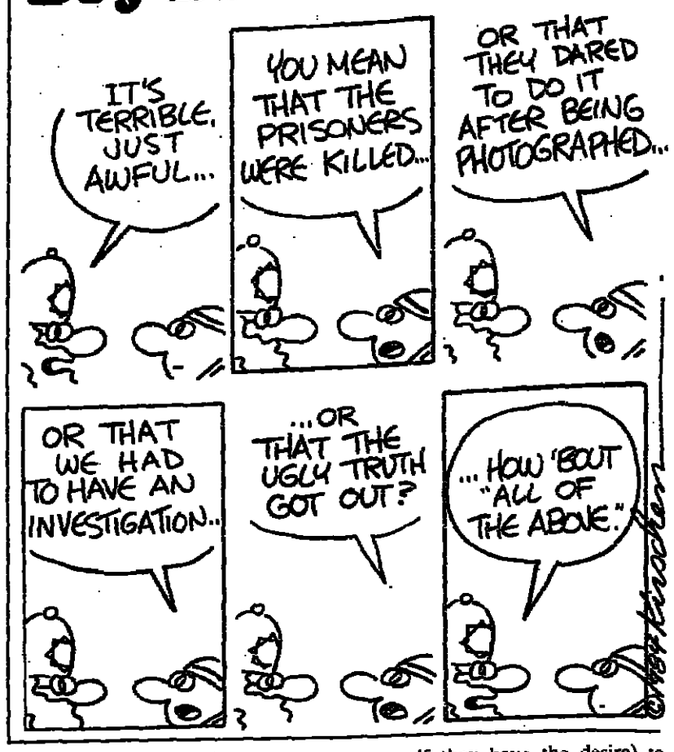
Nor will this kind of bloody force spark an Arab exodus from the territories. Anybody who imagines that 3.5m. Jewish Israelis, standing alone against the entire world, including the Americans, have the ability (even if they have the desire) to empty the territories of the existing Arab populations, lives in cloud-cuckoo land.

Then there is the effect of this hate-ridden sloganeering on the younger generation and on the level of civilization in our country. Zionism was based in its origins on humanist and universalist ideals. The new Jewish underground has converted it into a dark and primitive creed, totally divorced from its Judaic antecedants.

Carnage of civilians by civilians cannot be rationalized. Out of evil no good can spring. Murder is murder. Anyone killing in this way for his country loves killing more than he loves his country. More also than he loves his own Jewish faith.

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Dry Bones



Diplomatic course

By BARRY SCHWEID

PRESIDENT RONALD Reagan's administration is cautiously seeking to keep the Persian Gulf war between Iran and Iraq from taking dangerous new turns that might threaten Western oil supplies or increase Soviet or Iranian influence in the region.

"So far, so good," says analyst William Quandt, a Middle East expert who served on president Jimmy Carter's National Security Council. "We haven't panicked."

Reagan has all but ruled out sending American forces into the conflict.

He made clear in his letter last week to King Fahd of Saudi Arabia that diplomacy is the course preferred by the United States, with collective action by the Saudis and their Gulf partners a wiser option than using American force.

Aboard the carrier Kitty Hawk is enough U.S. air power to destroy the Iranian Air Force, thereby probably preventing the all-out ground assault many experts predict Iran will launch once the roads near Basra, a key Iraqi city, dry out.

Levelling the air force would set back Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and the tide of fundamentalism his regime in Teheran represents and that much of the Arab world fears.

But, as analyst Robert E. Hunter, director of Middle East affairs at the National Security Council under Carter, pointed out in an interview, "That would open Iran to Soviet penetration."

REAGAN HAS adopted a policy of restraint, even while tilting slightly in Iraq's direction and letting the Saudis know U.S. power is available as a last resort to keep the shipping lanes open.

At the same time, Reagan has warned since October – without being explicit – that he would not stand idly by and see the Strait of Hormuz closed to shipping.

The United States wants to help the Saudis offset any ambitions Khomeini may have to dominate the region, and it hopes to keep Saudi oil flowing. The kingdom produces 4.8 million barrels of the 10.9 million a day that originate in the Gulf.

The administration is preparing to equip the Saudis with Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to defend Saudi oil shipping. And it has tried to discourage Iran's arms suppliers from selling weapons to Teheran.

But Quandt, now a scholar with the Brookings Institution, thinks the Saudis might resort to asking for more U.S. air defence or even combat patrols. And he feels the administration "ought to be trying to find ways to persuade the Iraqis to call off the tanker war."

Iraq, which invaded Iran in September 1980 in a dispute over the Shatt-al-Arab waterway, had marked off a war zone in the northern gulf that includes Kharg Island and other Iranian ports.

Iraq is trying to cut off the flow of oil from Iran and, according to Hunter, who is now with the Centre for Strategic and International Studies at Georgetown University, "to internationalize the conflict in order to draw us in."

Iran has adopted more cautious tactics against shipping in the Gulf, while depending on vastly superior manpower to wear down Iraq's morale.

Hunter thinks the administration is "putting all of our eggs in the Arab basket and blaming Iran and not Iraq."

"What we should be doing is leaning on the Arabs to try to get Iraq to stop," he says.

Still, despite attacks by the two sides on more than 60 tankers and great leaps in insurance rates, oil is moving through the Persian Gulf.

A total cut-off in Gulf oil would be devastating to the economies of the West and Japan. The United States counts on the Gulf for only 3 per cent of its oil needs, while Western Europe draws about 30 per cent of its oil from the region, and Japan, a critical 55 per cent.

But a squeeze would impel the Europeans and Japanese to turn to Mexico, Venezuela and Nigeria, driving up the price of oil for the United States and the rest of the world. The current international surplus would quickly disappear.

Jimmy Carter first staked out the Gulf as strategically vital to the United States in January 1980 out of fear that the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan presented a threat toward Gulf oil supplies.

"An attempt by any outside force to gain control of the Persian Gulf region will be regarded as an assault on the vital interests of the United States," he said.

Carter went on to say that "such an assault will be repelled by use of any means necessary, including military force," but the Soviets have kept their distance and have gained little influence with Iran. The Khomeini regime is as wary of Moscow as it is of Washington.

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READERS' LETTERS

DRIFT TOWARD DISASTER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – In his extremely well-written exposition of the outlook for our economy ("The rule of impotence" – May 14), your financial correspondent Pinhas Landau cites as the reason for the bleak future "... the lack of political power and determination to take steps that are inherently unpopular, however necessary they may be for the country. The longer corrective measures are put off... the more extreme they have to be in order to be effective, and so the less likely they are to be adopted. ..."

This is in a nutshell the basic dilemma of our system of democracy. The government, however constituted, aims to do what it considers best in the common interest, and to avoid what is apt to displease the electorate. Whenever these two aims are diametrically opposed, it is most likely to do nothing and to watch helplessly the drift toward disaster. Moreover if it is composed of diverse parties without a common view of overall direction, it may not even be able to formulate the desirable policies which in any case it would not find possible to carry out.

The horrible thing about all this is that these are not, or need not be, incapable weaklings or rogues bent on feathering their own nests, but earnest, upright personalities caught in a system which just does not permit proper exercise of power.

It is really amazing therefore that all the endless amount of public discussion is directed solely toward the question of who should preside over this drifting, Tweedledum or Tweedledee. No serious thought seems to be given to the prospect that our system of government might possibly be improved upon, be made more appropriate to our conditions. This does not mean, of course, that a better system is readily available, but surely it is incumbent upon thinking humans to investigate the possibility, and not to regard the present state as immutable and God-given.

There have been endless varieties of the form in which human communities have managed their common affairs. We know only too well the awful potentialities of some of them, like the one-party state, military rule, or outright dictatorship. But democracy, too, has appeared in many forms and shapes. Can anyone honestly stand up and proclaim that we have stumbled upon the one perfect solution?

A. SCHLAG

Kiryat Bialik.

SPRING IN ENGLAND

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – I arrived in England in mid-May, leaving behind the tensions of the elections, inflation, arrests in the Arab bus bombing attempt, and with the needs of Ezrath Nashim Hospital in mind as I start a campaign on its behalf in Britain.

The next evening, my host rushed to his synagogue's annual general meeting where the following was the only motion:

"That the present practice of honorary officers wearing kipot whilst occupying their official seats in the synagogue, be discontinued forthwith and that the time-honoured tradition of wearing silk (top) hats be reinstated. The exception to this traditional practice being Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur."

The motion was carried.

Oh! to be in England now that spring is here.

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London (Jerusalem).

PENFRIENDS

RIWKA BRONSDIJK (19), of Cabotstraat 16 I, 1057 UR Amsterdam, Holland, would like to correspond with Israelis of her age.

KIBBUTZ VOLUNTEERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – I often read letters from ex-volunteers in different kibbutzim complaining about their treatment. Therefore, I would like you to read a few extracts from a letter of thanks from an ex-volunteer which appeared on our bulletin board:

"I enjoyed my three-month stay on Kibbutz Hahotrim enormously. I found the Israelis to be warm, friendly, generous people. During my stay, I felt wanted, needed and part of the daily routine. Most of the kibbutzniks welcomed me and made me feel quite comfortable and at home. I thank all of them for having allowed me to work and share the kibbutz way of life. It is an experience I will not forget."

Apparently, not all the volunteers are the same, nor are all kibbutzim the same.

LILO BARKAY

Kibbutz Hahotrim.

FORD GRANT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – On May 14 you reported on our press conference under the heading, "Different Zionist philosophy."

Our Midrasha (educational institute) for social Zionism did not receive any Ford Foundation grant. Members of our Midrasha are involved in the establishment of a non-profit organization called "Kol-Koreh, Center for Democratic Education." Kol-Koreh is cooperating with the "American-Israeli Civil Liberties Coalition" in order to establish in Israel a school for democratic leadership. The Ford Foundation granted assistance to these two organizations to prepare the infrastructure of the school, where Israeli Jewish, Arab and Druse students will be able to attend courses in democratic theories and practice.

Z. KESSE,

Midrasha for Social Zionism

Ramat Gan.

RECEIPTSCRIPTS

DOES SOUND FAMILIAR? — Not in Poland, making a telephone call can be a nightmare. One Warsaw resident has the following experiences in the course of making a five-minute call from a public phone with a loud recording saying ""Please insert 2 zloty coin" throughout: . — dialling 23 wrong numbers in the course of six days; — waiting nine hours to be connected for a call to Belgium and — picking up the phone one day to find the line was dead.

The last experience was shared by hundreds of people in Warsaw. An official of the state telephone company said subscribers had been cut off because new cables were going to be installed. No advance warning was given.

According to official figures, there are 36.7 million people in Poland but only 3.7 million telephones. A large proportion of those are in government or business offices.

Even in Warsaw and other big cities like Gdansk, Cracow, Lodz and Katowice, the picture is gloomy. Residents in working-class apartment blocks built after World War II have to wait up to eight years to have a telephone installed.

Many people wanting to call a friend have to take a bus ride to the nearest public telephone. When they get there, the chances are high that the telephone will have been vandalized.

And local telephone conversations in Poland usually take place against a background of thick crackle which makes the speakers sound hundreds of kilometres apart.

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